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MINUTES OF THE SIXTH MEETING

22nd March 1951 at 10.00

List of those present :

A. Principal Delegates or Alternates to Principal Delegates

Messrs Angström, Aslam, Barnett, Berlage, Bogatyr, Boulavko, Bruzon, Bunnag, Clackson, Davies, Desi, Doporto, Gilead, Mrs Gudmundson, Hesselberg, Sir Nelson Johnson, Keränen, Lahaye, Libri, Lugeon, Macky, Monasterio, Peña-Aguirre, Perović, Po E, Pogosjan, Reichelderfer, Rivet, Farina Sanchez, Schumann, Sellick, Soarès, Sohoni, Sousa, Souza, Thomson, Timcke, Vander Elst, Vezar, Viaut, Vourlakis.

B. Delegates, Advisers and Observers

Messrs Albert, Contreras-Arias, Azcarraga, Barasoain, Basu, de Bellaigues, Best, Bilham, Bjorkdahl, Bleeker, Boissel, Bracelin, Cadez, Orsina de Castro, Cates, Cauvin, Cheng, Clark, Craig, Csaplak, Davy, Fantoli, Fourie, Godart, Guignolet, Hagen, Heierman, Hessel, Hsueh, Kaddar, Laursen, Little, Lojendio, McMillan, Mastrangeli, Matson, Michelangeli, Mikhail, Nichol, Patterson, Price, Rachmanov, Randet, Ratisbona, Rivet, Röhl, Rosenan, le Roux, Schmidt, Smith, Stoner, Sze, Tchen, Thalmann, Thrane, Tierney, Van Thullenar, Vojnovic

C. Secretariat

Messrs Swoboda, Kyriakidis

The Meeting opened at 10.20

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ITEM 13

GENERAL REGULATIONS AND RULES OF PROCEDURE

OF THE WMO

(Proposals from the French Delegation
on the subject of Rule 3)

Document II contains a draft for the General Regulations and Rules of Procedure for the WMO, prepared by the Executive Council, which gave rise to a new draft for the General Regulations prepared by the United States (Doc.35). The very body of the Regulations submitted to the Congress contains very extensive details for the Rules relating to various bodies of the Institution which may very well be a great hindrance in practice. It would appear preferable that instead of being mixed, these Rules should be drawn up under the titles of the different bodies interested. 5 10

Furthermore, whilst it is customary to leave important subordinate bodies free to draw up their own Rules of Procedure and in particular their Agenda, in the present case they would have imposed upon them from the beginning, by the Congress, very precise Rules relating to the Agenda, the conduct of discussions and voting procedure. The Convention having already indicated the limits of autonomy of the constituents bodies, it would appear sufficient to refer to them and to add simply the Rules which appear the most necessary. 15 20

Briefly, it seems that by more frequent reference to the Convention and by re-grouping under the title of each body, the Rules relating to them, who would in any case be left more autonomy, the cohesion of the Regulations of the Organization would be increased and the application of them would be facilitated. 25

The Rule relating to the functions of the President of the Organization deserves attention in view of the risk of confusion which it entails. Rule III of the Draft General Regulations, favours and lays the groundwork for the establish- 30

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b) Arid Zone Doc. 25, 39; Inf. 8
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(ii) Other countries

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MEMBERSHIP OF WMO

(d) Application for Admission of the Saar
presented by
France

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FRENCH REPUBLIC

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Paris, 22nd March 1951

No. SC

Mr. President,

In forwarding to you the attached letter from the Saar Government, dated 13th March, 1951, I have the honour to submit to you the application for the admission of The Saar to the World Meteorological Organisation pursuant to Article 3, paragraph e) of the Convention.

I should be obliged if you would kindly insert this application for admission on the Agenda of the present session of the Congress.

I have the honour to be, Mr. President,
Your obedient Servant,

Signature illegible

The President,
World Meteorological Congress,
Palais d'Orsay,
PARIS VIIe

Appendix

MINUTES OF THE FIFTH PLENARY MEETING

held on 21st March 1951 at 14.30

President : Sir Nelson Johnson

List of Members present :

Messrs Ångström, Aslam, Barnett, Berlage, Bogatyr,
Boulavko, Bruzon, Bunnag, Davies, Desi, Doportó,
Franco Franco, Gilead, Mme Gudmundsson, Joachimowitz
Sir Nelson Johnson(President), Keranen, Lahaye, Libri,
Lugeon(F.A.O), Macky, Monasterio, Po E, Pogosjan,
Reichelderfer(Vice-President), Rivet, Roux, Farina Sanchez,
Soares, Sohoni, Souza , Thomson, Timcke, Vander Elst, Vejar,
Vlaht (vice-President), Vourlakis.

Delegates, Advisers , Observers :

Messrs Albert, Ali, Basu, de Bellaigue (ONU), Best,
Bilhan, Björkdal, Bleeker, Bracelin, Cadez, Orsini de Castro,
Cates, Cauvin, Cheng, Craig, Csaplak , Davy, Fantoli, Godart,
Goodmanson, Guignolet, Hagen, Heierman (OACI), Hessel, Hsueh,
Ireland, Kaddar, Laursen, Little, Lojendio,McKillip,Mastrangeli,
Matson, Michelangeli, Mikhail, Nichol, Patterson, Price,
Rachmanov, Randet, Ratisbona, Rosenan, Le Roux, Schmidt,
Smith, Stonor, Sze (ONU) , Tcheng, Thalmann, Van Thullenar,
Vojnovic.

Secretariat :

Messrs Swoboda, Kyriakidis.

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AGENDA ITEM 4

COMMITTEE N° 3

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

List of Delegates

President :	Mr. N.P. Sellick	Rhodesia
Vice-President:	Mr. V. Rachmanov	USSR
Vice-President:	Mr. S. Basu	India
Recorder :	Mr. N. Vander Elst	Belgian Congo
Belgium	Prof. E. Lahaye	New Zealand
B.W.A.	Mr. J.R. Clackson	Pakistan
Canada	Mr. A. Thomson	Mozambique
Egypt	Mr. K.H. Soliman	Union of S.A.
France	Mr. H.R. Rivet	Sweden
Hungary	Mr. Albert	Switzerland
Indonesia	Dr. H.P. Berlage	Thailand
Israel	Mr. N. Rosenan	United Kingdom
United States	Mr. D.M. Little	Venezuela
Yugoslavia	Mr. M. Cadez	
		Dr. M.A.F. Barnett
		Mr. M. Aslam
		Mr. J.A. Soares
		Dr. T.E.W. Schumann
		Dr. A. Angström
		Mr. J. Lugeon
		Cpt. Ch.V. Bunnag
		Mr. E.G. Bilhem
		Major M. Vejar

The Committee met on Friday morning and discussed the general policy of WMO on very broad lines. It was clear from the discussion that delegates desired WMO to provide facilities for the better performance of the old IMO functions, particularly in relation to the Technical Commissions and further desired WMO to engage in wider activities than were contemplated by IMO.

At the request of Italy, a short meeting, on Friday afternoon, was devoted to discussing technical assistance to Libya.

A third meeting was held on Saturday morning when it was agreed to discuss broadly the agenda under heads proposed by Mr. Bleeker and thereafter to allocate items to Sub-Committees for consideration. Discussion on Technical Commissions was opened and it is expected to complete discussion and appoint Sub-Committees at the next meeting.

The Committee unanimously expressed its satisfaction with the work of the translators.

(Signed) N.P. SELICK
President

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7TH PLENARY MEETING

(held March 22nd 1951)

afternoon

President : Sir Nilsen Johnson

A. Members present : Messrs. Angström, Aslam, Barnett 5
Berlage, Bogatyr, Boulevko, Bunnag, Clackson, Davies
Desi, Doperto, Giload, Mrs. Gudmundsson, Hasselberg
(Vice-President Hon.) Sir Nilsen Johnson (President)
Keränen, Lohayo, Libri, Lugeon (F.A.O.) Macky,
Monasterio, Pena Aguirre, Perovic, Po E, Pogosjan, 10
Reichelderfer (Vice-President), Rivet, Panine Sanchez,
Schumann, Sellick, Soares, Sohoni, Sousa, Souza,
Thomson, Timeko, Vanier Elat, Vojar G, Vourlekis

B. Delegates, Advisors, Observers : Albert, Ali, Con-
treras-Arias, Azcaraga, Barascain; Basu, de Bellai- 15
gue (ONU), Best, Bilham, Björkadal, Blocker, Bracolin,
Cadez, Crisini de Castro, Cotes, Cauvin, Chang,
Csaplak, Davy, Fantoli, Godart, Goodmansson, Guignolet,
Haueh, Ireland; Johnston, Laursen, Little, Lastrangeli
Matson, Michelangeli, Mikhail, Patterson, Rachmanov, 20
Rändet, Ratisbone, Rosenan, Le Roux, Schmidt, Smith,
Stoner, Sze (ONU) Teheng, Thalman, Threne, Tierney,
Van Thullenar, Vojnovia.

C. Secretariat:

Mr. Swoboda (Chief of Secretariat, IMO and
Mr. Mathieu (Secretary)

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The meeting was opened at 15.00

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE II

AGENDA ITEM 7

Transfer to WMO of Functions, Resources and Obligations of
IMO

Rapporteur: M. SCHMIDT (Brazil)

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At its first and second Meetings held on Friday,
23rd March, Committee II considered Item 7 of the Agenda,
and the draft resolutions contained in Documents 11/Rev.1,
15 and 24 as well as the amendments proposed by the United
States' Delegation (Document 31).

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After a short discussion, the Committee decided that
the above-mentioned texts of the draft resolutions were in
correct legal form and need only be considered by Committee
I from the administrative and financial aspects.

However, Committee II draws the attention of the Mem- 15
bers of Committee I to the fact that paragraph a(i) of the
First Resolution is drafted in such a way that the WMO has
full discretion not to grant members of the IMO staff the
same contractual guarantees as they enjoyed in the former
organisation.

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The Committee considered that it lay with Committee I
to give a substantive ruling on this point.

On a proposal by the representative of the United
States the Committee, with a view to clarifying the meaning
of the word "engagement", which had given rise to contro- 25
versy, decided to add the words "on an indeterminate or
temporary basis in accordance with the provisions of the
Staff Regulations of WMO", in parenthesis at the end of
paragraph a (i) of the First Draft Resolution.

The representative for Iceland having pointed out that 30
the Members of the IMO were Meteorological Services, whereas
the Members of the WMO were Governments, the Committee decided
to make this clear in the drafting of paragraphs 3, 4 and
5 of the First Draft Resolution with the help of words in
parenthesis.

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Finally, the representative for the United States
withdrew the proposal in Appendix A of Document 31.

AGENDA ITEM 8REPORT OF COMMITTEE IIITEM 8Agreement with the United Nations

Rapporteur : Mr. SCHMIDT (Brazil)

At its third Meeting, on Friday 23rd March, Committee II 5
considered Item 8 and the texts in Documents 10 and 55.

The group of WMO negotiators was represented by
Sir Nelson Johnson and Dr. Reichelderfer. Dr. Szeming Sze
represented the Secretary General of the United Nations.

There being no comments or criticisms by Members of 10
the Congress on the text of the agreement with the United
Nations originally proposed by the Executive Council of the
IMO, Committee II concluded that this text met with the
general approval of the Congress.

The Committee therefore restricted itself to examining 15
one by one the changes suggested by the United Nations in
Articles 2, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 11 and 12 of the draft agreement
prepared by the Executive Council of the IMO (Document 10,
appendix).

Respecting Article 2, it suggested that the Congress 20
accept the proposed alteration but decided to ask its
negotiators to emphasize the importance which it attached
to the words: "after appropriate consultation" which qual-
ified the obligation contracted by the Organization.

Respecting Articles 4 and 5, the Committee recommended 25
that the Congress raise no objections to the suggested
alterations which in no way reduced the prerogatives of the
Organization.

The Committee recommended that the Congress accept 30
the mere drafting alterations suggested for the English
wording of Article 7, the English wording of article 12
and both versions of paragraph 4 of article 9.

Respecting the new Article 7 (a) proposed by the United 35
Nations, the Committee noted the statement of the Secretary
General's representative to the effect that the inclusion
of this Article would in no way limit the power of this
Congress to take a final decision regarding the location of

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AGEND. ITEM 10TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO UNDERDEVELOPED COUNTRIESVIEWS PRESENTED BY AUSTRALIA

1. Australia agrees that the W.M.O. should be allocated a share of the Technical Assistance Fund; it is considered that improvement of meteorological services of relatively under-developed countries is a proper function of a technical assistance programme. 5
2. Australia, however would not be prepared to support an application by W.M.O. for any large proportion of the Technical Assistance Fund, as meteorology is only one of many fields which may require technical assistance. It may be assumed that other countries in addition to Australia, which directly or indirectly contribute to the Fund, will view with some concern all increases in requests for assistance from that Fund for various projects. It is considered that an allocation of the Fund to any newly admitted agency could be finally approved only by the countries contributing to the Fund. 10 15
3. Australia has already taken note of the place of meteorology in any programme of technical aid. It is making a large contribution to the Commonwealth Technical Co-operation Scheme for South and South-East Asia, and meteorology is one of the fields contained within that Scheme. When W.M.O. commences its functions under the United Nations Technical Assistance Programme, it should ensure that its activities are co-ordinated with similar activities under the Technical Co-operation Scheme. 20 25
4. Considering that any share granted to W.M.O. by the Technical Assistance Board should not be great, it can be taken that the activities of W.M.O. in this regard will not be great, at least for some time, and not upon the scale which appears to be contemplated in Doc. 21. It follows also that expansion of the Secretariat envisaged on p. 5, paragraph 8 (b) of Doc. 21, should be very limited. This latter point needs careful attention, as the cost of any such expansion will undoubtedly be charged to the regular budget of W.M.O., as has been done by other agencies participating in the programme. 30 35

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MINUTES OF THE THIRD PLENARY MEETING

(March 20th, 1951 - at 14.30)

PRESIDENT: Sir Nelson K. Johnson

MEMBERS PRESENT:

ARGENTINE

C.N. Monasterio

Principal delegate

AUSTRIA

E.W. Tineke

J.M. McMillan

Principal delegate
Delegate

BELGIUM

E. Lohaye

O. Godart

Principal delegate
Delegate

BELGIAN CONGO

N. Vander Elst

Principal delegate

BERMUDA

W.A. Macky

Principal delegate

BRAZIL

F.X.R. Souza

J.C.J. Schmidt

M. Orcini de Castro

E. Ratisbona

Principal delegate
Alternate
Delegate
Delegate

BRITISH EAST AFRICAN TERRITORIES
AND INDIAN OCEAN ISLANDS

D.A. Davies

E.G. Davy

Principal delegate
Delegate

BRITISH WEST AFRICA

J.R. Clackson

Principal delegate

BURMA

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Principal delegate

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AGENDA ITEM 13

ESTABLISHMENT OF GENERAL REGULATIONS AND RULES
OF PROCEDURE OF WMO

(Presented by the United Nations Delegation)

- I. The Congress, in preparing the Draft General Regulations and Rules of Procedure of the World Meteorological Organization, may wish to consider inclusion in these regulations and rules of provisions corresponding to the following articles of the proposed agreement between the United Nations and the World Meteorological Organization (Doc. 55 - Appendix) 5
- (a) Article II, paragraph 5, with respect to the distribution of written statements presented by the United Nations 10
- (b) Article IV, paragraphs 1 and 2, relating to the submission for appropriate action of all formal recommendations which the United Nations may make to the WMO 15
- (c) Article V, paragraphs 2 (a) and 2 (b) with respect to the submission by WMO of an annual and special reports to the United Nations 20
- (d) Article XI, paragraph 1, relating to the transmission of the budget of WMO to the United Nations
- (e) Article XIII, paragraph 1, on the obligation of the Organization to inform the Economic and Social Council of any formal agreement contemplated between itself and other organizations. 25

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AGENDA ITEM 2

In accordance with the decision taken by
the Congress at its 8th Meeting on 27th March 1951,
at 10h00, Document Cg 1 / Inf. 4:

"Majorities required by Article 10
of the Convention"
should be cancelled.

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ITEM 9

UNITED NATIONS CONVENTION ON THE PRIVILEGES
AND IMMUNITIES OF THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES.

(from the Chairman of Committee 2)

Committee 2 decided, at its fourth Meeting on 27th March 1951 at 14.30, to defer the consideration of the first Annex to the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the Specialized Agencies submitted by the Executive Council of the IMO (Doc.11, Appendix 2) until Committee 3 shall have defined more precisely the duties and functions which the World Meteorological Organization intends to entrust to experts.

Committee 2 would therefore be grateful to the President if he would kindly inform Committee 3 of this decision and request it as soon as the question of the duties and functions of the experts has been considered, to inform Committee 2 of its views on this point. The latter will then resume the study of Item 9 of the Agenda.

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- Doc. 4 Staff Regulations of WMO
- Doc. 5 Establishment of Working Capital Fund
- Doc. 6 Programme for First Budget Period
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 General Assembly U.N - Official Records 5th
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AGENDA ITEMS 10 & 11

" INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE OF METEOROLOGICAL RESEARCH"
(Memorandum submitted by the Venezuelan Delegation).

1. The creation of an Institute of Meteorological Research under the auspices of WMO would entail financial obligations (e.g. first installation costs, laboratories, staff, etc.) which would constitute a liability for the Organization and, incidentally, its Members. 5

2. The WMO, on the other hand, must, in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (c) of Article 2 of the Convention, have available a body responsible for undertaking these missions. Our object, however, is not to create an Institute, but to carry out research in the sphere of Meteorology. At present, Institutes exist in various parts of the world which are perfectly capable of carrying out all necessary meteorological research work. 15

The Delegation, therefore, does not consider that any useful purpose would be served by multiplying institutes of this nature, which would, as pointed out above, entail additional expenditure, and also the employment of competent personnel, already engaged in other work. The realisation of this scheme would, therefore, seem to involve certain difficulties. 20

3. It would, therefore, appear more expedient that the Secretariat of the WMO comprise somebody whose functions would consist of coordinating and ensuring that the most efficient existing Institutes actually undertake the researches they would be asked to perform by the various national Meteorological Services of Member States, or any other research work which the Executive Council might consider it expedient to authorize. 30

4. The above system would have the following advantages:

- 1) There would be no need to incur expenditure for premises and laboratories;
- 2) it would avoid the necessity for engaging a

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SECOND LIST OF DELEGATIONS PRESENT
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ARGENTINA

C. N. Monasterio Principal delegate

AUSTRALIA

E. V. Timcke Principal delegate
J. McMillan Delegate
L. Johnston Delegate

BELGIAN CONGO

N. Vander Elst Principal delegate

BELGIUM

E. Lahaye Principal delegate
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D. A. Davies Principal delegate
E. G. Davy Delegate

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT OF COMMITTEE IV

or

RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR FIRST CONGRESS OF WMO

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The Committee held a Meeting on Thursday the 22nd of March 1951 for the purpose of electing Chairman. Sir Nelson Johnson presided. Dr. Th. Hesselberg, Principal delegate for Norway, was elected Chairman and on his suggestion it was agreed to elect Dr. M. Doporto, Principal delegate for Ireland, Vice-Chairman. The composition of this Committee is given in Appendix I to this document. 5 10

The Committee also met on Friday the 23rd and Saturday the 24th March 1951 morning and afternoon and on Tuesday the 27th afternoon. Dr. Hesselberg presided.

The Committee decided to present to Congress for approval the "Rules of Procedure for First Congress of WMO" reproduced in Appendix II to this Document. There was unanimity in all the decisions of the Committee. 15

Mr. V. Mangin, delegate for Rumania, joined the Committee provisionally pending a decision by Congress.

AGEND. ITEM 7

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE No.1

TRANSFER TO WMO OF FUNCTIONS, RESOURCES,
AND OBLIGATIONS OF IMO

Rapporteur : E. BJORKDAL, Sweden

1. During its meetings on Tuesday, 27th March, Committee No.1 considered Item 7 of the Agenda. In addition to the documents previously referred to the Committee, a report by Committee No.2 was also taken into account. 5
2. Document Cg.1/Inf.3. IMO Assets and Liabilities, and Contracts, as per 1st March 1951. 10
After examination of this document, and on the assumption that the Secretary-General of IMO will certify that the facts shown therein are true to the best of his knowledge and belief, the committee unanimously adopted the following recommendation : 15
Committee 1, having examined the statement of assets and liabilities of the IMO contained in Document Cg.1/Inf.3, and on the understanding that this statement is correct and that the assets are receivable and exceed the liabilities, recommends to Congress that WMO takes over the assets and liabilities of IMO. 20
3. Document Cg.1/Inf.1/Rev.1
Document Cg.1/82
Draft resolution of WMO upon the transfer to WMO of of functions, resources and obligations of IMO. 25
There were no comments as to the preamble of the draft, points (1), (2), (3), (4). As to the different paragraphs of the draft resolution, the following recommendations were made:-
 - (a) (1) The text of Cg.1/Inf.1, revised, should be strictly adhered to. The Committee unanimously adopted the following resolution which, if endorsed by Congress, would constitute an instruction to the Secretary-General 30
"That staff of IMO re-engaged by WMO shall, as far as possible, be given conditions of employment not less favourable than those in 35

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<u>AGENDA ITEMS</u>	<u>Documents and Information Papers</u>
1. Opening by outgoing President of IMO	
2. Rules of Procedure for first Congress	Doc. 18, 30, 47, 49, 50, 51 52, 53, 54, 56, 88, 93
3. Membership of WMO	
a) Application by Bulgaria	
b) Application by Ceylon	
c) Application by the Saar	Doc. 19, 43, 77; Inf. 5
4. Establishment of Committees of Congress	
a) Credentials Committee	
b) Nomination Committee	
c) Drafting Committee	
d) Other Committees of Congress as necessary	Doc. 42, 45, 61, 78, 80
5. Approval of Agenda	Doc. 1, Doc. 1/Rev. 1
6. Election of Officers of WMO for duration of first Congress	
a) President	
b) First Vice-President	
c) Second Vice-President	Doc. 23
7. Transfer to WMO of functions, resources and obligations of IMO	Doc. 14, 15, 24, 31, 57, 82, 94; Inf. 1, 1/Rev. 1
8. Agreement with United Nations	Doc. 10, 26, 55, 83
9. United Nations Convention on privileges and immunities of Specialized Agencies	Doc. 11, 89

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AGENDA-ITEM 33

ORIGINAL: IN FRENCH

TECHNICAL QUESTIONS REFERRED TO WMO BY IMO
(Proposal of the French Delegation)

Subject : HEIGHT OF OBSERVING STATIONS

- 1) The intervention of the Director General of the M.N during the presentation of the Report of the President of the CIMO at the Conference of Directors referred to a special point indicated in a note from the French Meteorological Service addressed to the CSWI and forwarded by the CSWI to the CIMO, concerning the advantage in adopting for H_p the height H of the station and in defining this altitude H so that its definition would apply as widely as possible.

It has become evident that this note did not arrive in time to be considered by the CIMO. This is the reason why the Director General of the M.N agreed to the retention of the Resolution in its present form ; but it is considered desirable that this point, as well as the proposal of the French Delegation appended below, be considered by the appropriate Commission of the WMO.

H altitude of the station = average altitude from the ground in a maximum radius of twenty metres around the station (case of an isolated building) or around the building which houses it (case where the offices of the station are situated in a building)

- 2) Even though what follows goes outside the scope of the question set, it seems to be advisable to point out the advantage that would accrue in including simultaneously with geographical coordinates, a letter which would indicate the topographical situation of each station

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AGENDA ITEM 33
ORIGIN/L: FRENCH

TECHNICAL QUESTIONS REFERRED TO WMO BY IMO
(Proposal of the French Delegation)

SUBJECT: COMPARISON OF BAROMETERS

Taking into consideration the statement contained in Document CD/30 - p. 13, the French Delegation proposes the following recommendation:

"The Presidents of Regional Associations are entrusted with the task of collating the reports made in their Region on the comparison of barometers and of transmitting them, before the 1st November 1951, to the Secretariat of the WMO which will forward them, before the 1st December 1951, to the body of the WMO instructed to study and to follow up this question."

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AGENDA ITEM 33

ORIGINAL: FRENCH

TECHNICAL QUESTIONS REFERRED TO WMO BY IMO

(Proposal by the French Delegation)

Subject : OBLIQUE VISIBILITY

In view of the statements contained in document CD/30, page 12, the French Delegation has the honour to propose the Recommendation hereunder: 5

"The Congress decide to invite ICAO to submit to the WMO, as soon as practicable, the results of the investigations on oblique visibility undertaken at the request of the Comité of the IMO and the MET Division of the ICAO.

The new Commission of the WMO entrusted with the work of the former CIMO of the IMO should carry this work forward as rapidly as possible." 10

ITEM 21

MEMORANDUM WITH REGARD TO THE ESTABLISHMENT
OF THE TECHNICAL COMMISSIONS OF
THE WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION

(Submitted by the French Delegation)

1. The IMO Commissions

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During the last few years, the functioning of IMO Technical Commissions has revealed difficulties which appear to be chiefly due to the following causes :

a) The powers of each of the Commissions were defined in too general a manner. This meant that one and the same question 10 was dealt with by several Commissions, and that no Commission considered itself to be fully responsible for the question.

b) In order to coordinate the work of various Technical Commissions, numerous joint Sub-Commissions had been set up, which decidedly added to the confusion. 15

c) Technical Commissions dealing with pure Meteorology and those handling applied Meteorology, whose roles should be different, were not properly distinguished.

d) Owing to the absence of operational procedure and clearly defined internal regulations, the results of the work 20 obtained by the Commissions were very varied.

2. Principles to be applied in establishing WMO Commissions

The above-mentioned difficulties could be considerably diminished if the WMO Commissions were established according to the following principles : 25

a) The number of Commissions to be restricted as far as possible so as to reduce the creation between Commissions of liaison bodies which have no constructive activities.

b) Every Commission must have a clearly defined and perfectly limited sphere of activity; having nothing in common with the spheres of activity of the other Commissions. 30

c) Technical Commissions must be of two kinds, having different and very distinct roles :

- those dealing with a branch of Meteorology;
- those dealing with the application of Meteorology to various human activities. 35

TECHNICAL COMMISSIONS AND THEIR FUNCTIONS

(Submitted by the Delegate from Canada)

In agreement with Document 9 (1) the number of Technical Commissions should be kept as small as possible.

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Furthermore, in Document 7, Appendix 1, it is proposed to establish a technical division with a section dealing with technical commissions. It is considered that this section should, in addition to the chief of the division, have two technical officers.

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It is proposed that three technical Commissions should be established which would be responsible for all the technical activities of the WMO. The commissions proposed in Document 9, Appendix p. 1 should be grouped as follows in the three new commissions now suggested.

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- I. Commission for Synoptic Meteorology;
includes former IMO Commission on Synoptic Meteorology or WMO proposed Commissions for Meteorological Telecommunications CMT and Synoptic Meteorology CSM also items (1) (2) (3) (8) of the WMO proposed Commission of Aeronautical Meteorology (CAeM). Also items (1) (2) (3) part (4) of the Commission of Maritime Meteorology (CMM). 20
- II. Commission for Atmospheric Physics and Meteorological Observations;
includes WMO proposed commissions for Instruments and Methods of Observations CIMO, Aerology CAe, Aeronautical Meteorology CMA items 5, 6, 7, also . Three panels of experts on (1) Radiation (2) Clouds and Hydrometeors. (3) Radio-electric Meteorology. 30
- III. Commission for Applied Meteorology;
includes WMO proposed Commission for Climatology (CCL) 35
Hydro Meteorology (CHyM)
Agricultural Meteorology (CAgM)
Bibliography and Publications (CBP)
Aeronautical Meteorology CMAe - Item 9

Each Commission would be relatively independent of the others, so that at a meeting of each Commission, all the activities in an extensive field of meteorology

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AGENDA ITEM 26

AGREEMENT WITH HOST COUNTRYNOTE BY COMMITTEE II

At its 5th Meeting, Committee II examined the draft agreement as submitted by the Swiss Federal Council and the Government of the French Republic (Documents 44-60 & 62).

The Committee noted the fact that the draft agreement, as submitted by the Swiss Federal Council, contained the same provisions as in the agreement which was drawn up between the latter Government and the World Health Organization and which proved to be satisfactory. Furthermore, the Committee noted that the draft agreement, as submitted by the Government of the French Republic, contained the same provisions as in that which was drawn up between the latter Government and the UNESCO and which proved to be satisfactory. The Committee thought therefore that it would be preferable for the Congress to reach first a decision concerning Item 25 of the Agenda, i.e. to choose the location of its Secretariat, before taking into consideration Item 26.

When decision has been reached concerning Item 25, Committee II shall consider Item 26, taking the above-mentioned draft agreements as a basis.

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AGENDA ITEM 2

CORRIGENDA TO
REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT OF COMMITTEE IV

ON
RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR FIRST CONGRESS OF WMO

(Cg 1/ Doc 93)

- Page 1. Line 5 : insert " its" before " Chairman"
Line 18: read C. Stoica instead of V. Maugin

APPENDIX II

- Page 1. Line 13: read " delegates" instead of "Delegates"
Line 27: read "or" instead of "of".
Line 42: read "invited persons" instead of "individuals"
- Page 2. Line 37: read " his place" instead of " the chair"
Line 38: insert a ", " before " shall"
- Page 3. Line 4 : read " Com-" instead of "com"
Line 20: read "candidates" instead of "nomination".
- Page 4. Replace 2nd sentence in lines 20 to 23 by : " The discussion on such an appeal shall be limited to the principal delegate making the appeal and the President. If the difference of opinion is maintained the matter shall be put to the vote".
Line 36 : insert a ", " after "discussion".
- Page 6. Line 12 : read "delegation" instead of " delegated"
Line 18 : read " The number of abstentions" instead of "abstention"
Line 23 : read " candidates" instead of "nomination"
- Page 7. Line 22 : read " Second" instead of "second"
Line 41 : delete "only"
- Page 9. Line 9 : read " members" instead of "Members"

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AGENDA ITEM 19

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PROPORTIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE WMO GENERAL FUND

Memorandum by Committee No.1

1. This document is issued by Committee No. 1 in accordance with the oral report made to Plenary Session on 27th March.
2. Each Principal Delegate attending Congress is invited to consider whether the proportional contribution shown for his own country in Document 13 is provisionally acceptable. 5
3. If a Principal Delegate considers that the proportion shown is not provisionally acceptable, he is asked to inform Committee No. 1, in writing, of his objections. It will be helpful to the Committee if these objections can be related to the criteria listed below:- 10
 - (1) Benefits which each Member derives from WMO
 - (a) Size of country
 - (b) Population
 - (c) Economic uses made of meteorology
 - (d) Size of meteorological service15
 - (2) Ability to pay
 - (3) Contribution to IMO
 - (4) Contribution to other International Organisations 20
 - (5) Per Capita National Income
4. Objections should reach Committee No. 1 by 31st March 1951.

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AGENDA ITEM 14FINANCIAL REGULATIONS OF WMO

(Comments submitted by Australian Delegation)

1. The United Nations General Assembly at its fifth session adopted new regulations governing the financial administration of the United Nations and expressed the hope that Member States would support the adoption by the Specialised Agencies of these regulations, with only such alterations as are required to meet the constitutional provisions and organisational structure of the respective Agencies. Australia agrees with the principle of standard financial regulations and is generally in agreement with the United Nations set. It is urged therefore that the financial regulations of WMO follow those of the United Nations as closely as possible, both in form and substance, subject only to any special requirements of W.M.O. 5
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2. With regard to regulation 14, it is considered that provision should be made in 14.4 for the reports mentioned to be made available to all Members of the Organisation. 20

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AGENDA ITEM 2
ORIGINAL : ENGLISH

RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR FIRST CONGRESS
OF WMO

(as agreed upon by Congress on 29th March, 1951)

These Rules of Procedure for First Congress of WMO are adopted under the authority of Congress. In the event of any conflict between any provision of these Rules and the Convention, the Convention shall prevail.

SECTION I

Participation in the First Congress

1. Each member of the Organization shall designate the names and official capacities of its delegates to the Congress, designating one of these delegates, who should be the Director of its Meteorological Service, as its principal delegate who will vote on its behalf. 10
2. A letter addressed to the President of the International Meteorological Committee of the International Meteorological Organization or to the President of the World Meteorological Organization, giving the particulars specified in Rule 1, and signed by, or on behalf of, an appropriate governmental authority of the Member of the Organization, shall constitute appropriate credentials for the participation of the individuals named therein in the activities of the first Congress. 20
3. (a) The individuals invited under article 6 (b) of the Convention by the President of the International Meteorological Committee or the President of the World Meteorological Organization shall attend as observers. 25
(b) The same shall apply to representatives of other international organizations who may be invited by the President; such invitations shall be submitted to Congress for approval after the credentials of the representatives have been examined by the Credentials Committee. 30
4. (a) Any individual, whose credentials are found not to comply with the provisions of Rules 1, 2 and 3, shall be excluded from participation in the activities of the first Congress. 35

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AGENDA ITEM 21

ORIGINAL: ENGLISH

PROPOSALS FOR MAINTAINING CONTINUITY
IN TECHNICAL ACTIVITIES

(Memorandum submitted by the United Kingdom)

1. With the dissolution of the IMO, the Technical Commissions and their Sub-Commissions and Joint Sub-Commissions of the IMO automatically come to an end. It is, however, of great importance that the technical activities now in progress in certain of these bodies shall continue without interruption. 5
2. So far as Technical Commissions are concerned, proposals have been made in Document 9 for the establishment of ten WMO Technical Commissions and three Panels of Experts. Moreover, Rule 51 of Document 18 proposes a procedure to ensure the immediate election of Presidents of these new Technical Commissions in order that the work now in progress may continue without a break. 10 15
3. It will be a matter for each of the new Technical Commissions to take into consideration the demands of continuity when deciding whether to elect as Presidents those individuals who have been Presidents of the corresponding Commissions of the IMO. 20
- In this connection, it is important that the field of selection for Presidents of WMO Technical Commissions and Panels of Experts shall not be restricted to individuals attending the First Congress. There is nothing in the WMO Convention to limit the field of selection, and if Regulation 130 of Document 2 remains in the General Regulations of the WMO in their final form, requiring that Presidents and Vice-Presidents be elected "from among the members", Congress can decide that this Regulation (or even the whole of the General Regulations) shall not become operative until after the First Congress. 25 30
4. In addition to maintaining the work on the Commission level, there is important work being done on the Sub-Commission level and it is necessary to provide for the continuation of this work also. 35

AGENDA ITEM 8
ORIGINAL: ENGLISH

TEXT OF DRAFT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNITED NATIONS
AND THE WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION
(as agreed upon by Congress on 29th March, 1951)

PREAMBLE

In consideration of the provisions of Article 57
of the Charter of the United Nations and of Article 25 of
the Convention of the World Meteorological Organization,
the United Nations and the World Meteorological Organization
agree as follows :

ARTICLE I

The United Nations recognizes the World Meteor-
ological Organization (hereinafter called "the Organization")
as the specialized agency responsible for taking such action
as may be appropriate under its basic instrument for the
accomplishment of the purposes set forth therein.

ARTICLE II

Reciprocal Representation

1. The United Nations shall be invited to send
representatives to participate, without vote, in the
deliberations of all the Congresses and Meetings of the
Executive Committee and Regional Associations. It shall
also, after appropriate consultation, be invited to send
representatives to attend meetings of the Technical
Commissions (or any other meetings convened by the
Organization) with the right to participate without vote
in the discussion of items of interest to the United Nations.

2. The Organization shall be invited to send represent-
atives to attend meetings of the Economic and Social Council
of the United Nations (hereinafter called "the Council"),
of its Commissions and Committees and to participate,
without vote, in the deliberations thereof with respect
to items on the agenda in which the Organization may be
concerned.

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AGENDA ITEM 13

ORIGINAL: ENGLISH

GENERAL REGULATIONS AND RULES OF PROCEDURE
OF W M O

(Comments and Proposals by Australian Delegation)

DOCUMENT 2.Regulation 2.

- (1) The WMO is an organization of governments, and the formal channel of communication between an inter-governmental authority and a government is the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, or its equivalent. Australia has no objection in principle to direct communication between the Organization and the Director of the Meteorological Service, but it is considered that how this is effected is a matter for the Government. It is important that communications on non-technical matters be addressed to the Minister of the Department of External Affairs, and also that that Department be kept informed generally of what activities are going on which directly concern this country. 5 10 15
- (2) It is advisable that hard and fast arrangements in regard to this particular matter should not be written into these regulations. It would be preferable only to establish the principle that the Secretary-General may arrange a procedure, by agreement with Members, permitting direct communication with the Director of the Meteorological Service. Detailed arrangements would then be a matter for subsequent determination. 20 25
- (3) The above proposal is recommended to Congress for adoption. It would, further, eliminate the necessity for "permanent representative" and the definition for such in the preliminary part headed "Definitions". 30

Regulation 19.

Some difficulty has occurred in other Organizations on the question of whether an abstention is considered as a vote. The standard United Nations practice is not to count an abstention. It is therefore urged that a sentence be added to this regulation to the effect that abstentions shall not count as votes cast. 35

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ORIGINAL: ENGLISH

FINANCIAL REGULATIONS OF WMO

The following comments and proposals are submitted by the Australian delegation, and are additional to those contained in Cg 1/ Dec. 104.

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Regulation 3.

The General Assembly of United Nations has requested the Specialised Agencies to limit their expenditure to the amount of contributions likely to be received. This is an important principle and might be incorporated in the regulation by the addition of the words "income and" after the word "cover" in 3.2, and by the addition of a proviso in 3.8 as follows :

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"provided that, as far as possible, the Executive Committee shall restrict expenditure in each budget period to the amount of the anticipated receipts for that period".

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Regulation 5.

To bring this section into line with Article III of the United Nations regulations, the following changes are required

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- 5.3 After "requested" insert "by or"
after "and such" insert "further"

- 5.5 Add a sentence "This report shall be transmitted to all Members of the Organisation at the same time as the Estimates"

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Regulation 7.

- 7.4 Add "As of 1st January of the following financial year, the unpaid balance of such contributions and advances shall be considered to be one year in arrears".

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Regulation 8.

- 8.2 At the end of the second sentence add "for the next budget period".

- 6.8 After "provided" add "by the Executive Committee".

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ORIGINAL: FRENCH

MINUTES OF THE EIGHTH PLENARY MEETING

27th March, 1951 - 10 a.m.

LIST OF PERSONS. PRESENT:

A - Principal Delegates or Alternates to Principal Delegates

Ångström, Åslam, Barnett, Berlage, Bogatyr, Boulavko, Bunnag, Cernea, Clackson, Davies, Desi, Doporto, Ferreira, Gilead, Mrs. Gudmundsson, Hesselberg (Vice-President Hon.), Sir Nelson Johnson (President), Keranen, Lahaye, Lambor, Libri, Lugeon (F.O.), Macky, Monasterio, Peña Aguirre, Perovic, Po E, Pogossjan, Reichelderfer (Vice-President), Rivet, Schumann, Sellick, Soares, Sohoni, Soliman, Sousa, Souza, Thomson, Timcke, Vander Elst, Viaut (Vice-President), Vourlakis.

B - Delegates, Advisers, Observers

Albert, Ali, Contreras-Arias, Azcárraga, Barasoain, Bašu, de Bellaigue (UN), Bilhan, Björkdal, Bleeker, Cadez, Orsini de Castro, Cates, Cauvin, Cheng, Craig, Csaplak, Davy, Hagen, Heierman (O.C.I.), Hessel, Hsueh, Ireland, Kaddar, Little, Lojendio, Mangiu, McMillan, McMillan, Mastrangeli, Matson, Michelangeli, Mikhail, Milata, Millet, Nichol, Patterson, Rachmanov, Randet, Ratisbona, Rivet, Roda (I.L.T.), Rosenan, le Roux, Schmidt, Smith, Sruta, Mile Stan, Stoica, Stoner, Sze (UN) Tchen, Thalmann, Thrane, Tierney, Van Thullenar, Vojnovic, Warner (ICAO).

Secretariat

Messrs. G. Swoboda (Chief of the Secretariat), A. Kyriakidis (Deputy Chief of the Secretariat), R. Mathieu (Secretary).

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QUESTION 30
ORIGINAL: ENGLISH

RESOLUTION OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL OF
THE INTERNATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATION UNION

No. 196.- RELATIONS BETWEEN THE UNION AND OTHER SPECIALIZED
AGENCIES HAVING A SUBSTANTIVE INTEREST IN TELECOMMUNICATION
SERVICES
(cf. PV CA5/31)

The Administrative Council,
considering

1. Article 27 of the International Telecommunication Convention of 1947 concerning cooperation "with international organizations having related interests and activities"; Chapter 2 of the General Regulations annexed to said Convention relating to Invitation and Admission to Administrative Conferences, and Council Resolutions 111, 113, 114 and 149; 5
2. the Report of the Secretariat of the United Nations on the COORDINATION OF ACTIVITIES OF SPECIALIZED AGENCIES IN THE FIELD OF TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS (UN Docs. E/CN.2/84 and Add. 1. and corrections 1 and 3 thereto); 10
3. the existence of numerous questions of common technical interest for the International Telecommunication Union on the one hand and the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), the World Meteorological Organization (WMO), and the proposed Intergovernmental Maritime Consultative Organization (IMCO) on the other, in which it is desirable that these organizations collaborate closely with each other with the support, when appropriate, of the United Nations Economic and Social Council and in its Transport and Communications Commission; and 15 20
4. that, among these questions of common interest, there are, notably, the most efficient utilization of the radio-frequency spectrum and the establishment and exploitation of telecommunication facilities by wire or radio relay links which are of particular interest to the permanent organs of the Union; 25

recommends

that the following procedures be informally agreed to as a modus vivendi governing consultations among the four

PROPORTIONAL CONTRIBUTION TO WMO GENERAL FUND

"submitted by the Egyptian Delegation to the
Sub-Committee on Contributions."

The Egyptian Delegation considers that the proportional contribution assessed to Egypt (Doc. 13) is excessive for the following reasons :

(1) Economic uses made of Meteorology

Egypt in fact derives little or no economic use of Meteorology. In the field of aviation, for example, the Egyptian Meteorological Department provides meteorological services to more than 25 air carriers, of which only two with an extremely limited number of airlines, are Egyptians. 5 10

The same can be said regarding shipping, commerce, industry and all other aspects of the economic use of Meteorology.

(2) Size of Meteorological Service

Although the size of the Meteorological Department of Egypt is relatively large compared with the size of the country and its budget, yet due regard should be paid to the fact that this department is made large only to meet the international obligations laid in Egypt by resolutions of the organization such as : Meteorological Offices supplying meteorological services for international air navigation; sub-continental, area and sub-area Met. broadcasts; and Meteorological broadcasts for shipping etc. 15 20

(3) Ability to pay and per Capita National income

The following table contains an extract from the UN statistics of National income and per capita national income for the year 1949 for some countries. 25

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ORIGINAL: IN FRENCHPROPORTIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE WMO GENERAL FUND

(Memorandum by the French Delegation)

The Memorandum submitted by Committee No. 1 (Document No. 103) shows the criteria which should serve as a basis for the establishment of contributions of the Members of the WMO, and requests each Principal Delegate to consider whether the contribution for the country he represents as shown in Document 13 is provisionally acceptable.

The French Delegation does not intend to request a reduction of the contribution which it was allotted. It wishes however to draw the attention of the Committee to the following points:

1) Criteria to be taken into consideration

The French Delegation thinks that stress should be laid on criterion No. 4 "Contributions to other International Organizations" and especially on the scales of the United Nations. These scales already take into account the national income of each country, its population, the income per capita, and the reduction in the paying capacity of the countries which have suffered from the war. The scales of UNESCO, FAO, WHO and, in a lesser degree, of the ILO, have been based on the scales of the United Nations. The proportional contributions to the capital of the International Monetary Fund for Reconstruction and Development are also very similar to those of the United Nations.

On the other hand, it would seem inopportune to refer to the scales of the Universal Postal Union and to those of the International Telecommunication Union since these were drawn up during the period prior to the second world war and make allowance for some special factors proper to these organizations. The scales of the International Civil Aviation Organization also take into account special technical factors proper to this Agency. Should the Committee take into consideration the scales of the three latter Specialized Agencies, it would incorrectly introduce into the contribution scale some factors which do not concern Meteorology or ignore the contributing capacity of some countries - factors which were taken into account by the scales drawn up

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AGENDA ITEM 19
ORIGINAL TEXT : FRENCH

PROPORTIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE WMO GENERAL FUND

(Memorandum relating to the Contributions
of certain territories of France)

The French delegation considers it necessary to draw the attention of the Contributions Committee to the position of certain territories which are members of the WMO but which are not represented at the present Congress. They are: Madagascar, Cameroon, New Caledonia, French Oceania, French Somaliland and Togoland, who were assessed at 4, 3, 2, 1, 1 and 1 unit respectively.

These territories have been unable, in view of the distance which separates them from Europe and their small financial and technical means, to send a delegate to the Congress. They have not, therefore, had an opportunity to offer remarks to the Contributions Committee in accordance with the procedure indicated in Doc. No. 103.

The French Delegation has been unable in the short time made available by Document No. 103, to collect all the data necessary in order to discuss the contributions of these countries in accordance with the criteria indicated by the Contributions Committee, but it considers that the following information will enable the Committee to consider the revision of the scale proposed.

CRITERION No. 1 - ADVANTAGES ACCRUING TO EACH MEMBER
BY HIS PARTICIPATION IN THE WMO

Madagascar covers 624,700 sq.km - Cameroons - 418,200 sq.km,
Togoland - 53,000 sq.km - Somaliland - 23,00 sq.km - Oceania
400 sq. km - New Caledonia - 18,6650 sq.km.

The populations are as follows:

Madagascar	3.7 million inhabitants
Cameroon	2 million "
New Caledonia	52.000 "
Oceania	85.000 "
Somaliland	85.009 "
Togoland	750.000 "

POLICY OF THE WMO

Draft Resolution

Congress resolves that the policy of the WMO should be:

- (1) to encourage fundamental research but not to participate in it; 5
- (2) to apply the results of fundamental research to practical meteorology in the aid of human activity;
- (3) to establish a Technical Division within the Secretariat; 10
- (4) to increase the authority of the Secretariat;
- (5) to issue periodical information bulletins to keep Members informed of the problems, activities and plans of the WMO;
- (6) to finance special projects by contributions from Members benefiting; 15
- (7) to avoid undertaking research which could be performed equally well by national institutes;
- (8) to study in the Secretariat questions referred to WMO from other specialized Agencies; 20
- (9) to participate in the expanded technical assistance programme of UN;
- (10) to establish Technical Regulations on the lines proposed in Doc. 24;
- (11) to examine the need for, and the functions of, an International Meteorological Institute. 25

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PROPORTIONAL CONTRIBUTION TO THE
WMO GENERAL FUND

Presented by the Principal Delegate of
the Delegation of Ireland

The Irish Delegation considers that the proposed percentage contribution of Ireland to the WMO given in Cg 1/Doc.13 is not acceptable.

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The Irish Delegation does not agree with the implication contained in Cg 1/Doc.103 that an explanation should be given for its reasons. It is considered that the onus rests with the Executive Council of the IMO who prepared Cg 1/Doc.13 to explain why and how it had arrived at the percentage of 1.06. It is stated in lines 11 and 12 of Cg 1/Doc.13 that "the Executive Council of the IMO has devoted much time to the study of this problem." It would appear reasonable that the background statistical information, used by the Executive Council, should be made available to Delegations.

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Ireland's percentage contribution to IMO was 0.60. It is proposed in Cg 1/Doc.13 to increase this to 1.06 per cent, which represents a relative increase of 76.7 per cent. In accordance with the statement in Cg 1/Doc.13 that "a substantial change should normally be justified by changes in circumstances", it appears that the "substantial change" in Ireland's case should be explained.

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The headings in Cg 1/Doc.103, under which objections to the proposed WMO contribution are to be made, do not completely correspond to the original headings under which the contribution in Cg 1/Doc.13 has been computed. Therefore, we find ourselves in the position of objecting to a contribution which, being based on different criteria, is no longer valid.

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For this reason and until the Executive Council has explained why Ireland's percentage contribution to IMO, namely 0.60 per cent, has been increased to 1.06 per cent to WMO, the Irish Delegation is unable to take cognizance of the last figure. However, we give below, whenever possible, our comments on how the IMO percentage of 0.60 compares with the

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AGENDA ITEM 17

ORIGIN:L:ENGLISH

MINIMUM EXPENDITURE DURING FIRST BUDGET PERIOD

(Comments and Suggestions by the Australian Delegation)

1. Concern is expressed at the considerably increased financial contribution to be made annually to the WMO as against that formerly made to the IMO, and the proposed budget has been carefully examined with a view to suggesting possible reduction. While it does not appear possible for the budget to be drastically reduced, it seems that there are a number of economies which might be made in the estimates contained in Doc. 12. 5 10
2. Australia endorses the view of the Executive Council of IMO that a modest programme only should be developed for this stage, consisting mainly of an extension and amplification of the activities carried on by IMO, together with certain technical activities in the assistance field. 15
3. In Doc. 12 there are references to possible activities arising out of the relationship with the United Nations. WMO will be concerned with highly specialised work which it is considered will bear much less relationship to the work of the United Nations than does the work of the broader economic and social Agencies such as FAO, ILO and WHO. 20
4. From the preceding consideration, it would appear that representatives of WMO should not necessarily attend meetings of the United Nations on a regular basis. Even in staff and budgetary matters, where it is desirable that WMO develop arrangements and procedures similar to those of the United Nations, most of the consultations could be carried out with the UN European office at Geneva. This consideration should permit a considerable reduction in Section 5 of Part I of the Estimates contained in Doc. 12.
5. It is considered that meetings of Congress should take place at the headquarters of the Organisation, and therefore the provision in Section 1 of the budget for travel and subsistence allowances for WMO could be deleted, except in so far as it applies to the first Congress. 30
6. There is provision also in Section 1 for contribution to the host country. This should not apply to Congress after the first Session at Paris as future sessions should be held at the headquarters of the Organisation. 35
7. The budget contains a 10 % contingency item. This it is considered, could be reduced to 5 %. 40

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AGENDA ITEM 18
ORIGINAL: ENGLISH

ESTABLISHMENT OF WORKING CAPITAL FUND

(Comments submitted by the Australian Delegation)

1. Australia supports the development of a common system of Fund regulations for use in the United Nations and the Specialized Agencies, and it agrees with the purposes of this fund as set out in Doc. 5.
2. It is considered that the proportion of a Working Capital Fund for financing expenditure pending receipt of contributions should not be more than 30% of the annual budget in normal circumstances, and that the proportion for emergency expenditure should be adequate at 5%.
3. The view therefore is held that the size of the Fund envisaged in Draft Resolution Cg/18, viz "less than 40% of the General Fund expenditure estimates for the ensuing budget period is far too large. It is considered that the proportion should be set at 30 to 35% of average annual expenditure.
4. At the same time, objection would not be raised to the upper limit for annual percentages being increased slightly if it is shown that this is required by the nature of the Organization's circumstances, e.g. difficulties of anticipating with accuracy expenses over a four year period, adjustments in salary scales, and variations in costs etc.

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AGENDA ITEM 5
ORIGINAL : ENGLISH

AGENDA FOR FIRST CONGRESS OF WMO

(as amended on 30 th March 1951)

(1 - 31 , as in Doc. 1 / Rev. 1)

- 32 New International Cloud Atlas : technical and
financial aspects
- 33 Technical questions referred to WMO by IMO

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AGENDA ITEM 19

ORIGINAL: RUSSIAN

PROPORTIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO WMO GENERAL FUND

(Submitted by the Principal Delegate for the Byelorussia SSR)

1. Having examined the amount of the Proportional Contribution to the WMO General Fund proposed for the Byelorussia SSR in the Draft Scale of Assessments (Doc. 13) and having compared it with contributions to other organizations, the Principal Delegate for the Byelorussia SSR notes:
 - that the new Proportional Contribution to the WMO is nearly 1.5 times as high as the former Byelorussia SSR contribution to the IMO; 5
 - that this contribution is nearly 6 times as high as the Proportional Contribution fixed for the Byelorussia SSR by the UN; 10
 - that this contribution is twice as high as the Byelorussia SSR proportional contribution to the other Specialized Agencies; 15
2. Comparing the territory and population of the Byelorussia SSR with those of countries which, on account of the amount of their contributions have been placed in the same group as the Byelorussia SSR, the Principal Delegate for the Byelorussia SSR observes that, as regards territorial area and population the Byelorussia SSR is substantially smaller than these countries although the same contribution has been allocated to it as to them. 20
- It should also be pointed out that the Byelorussia SSR is without international airlines or shipping. Consequently, the usefulness for the Byelorussia SSR of the WMO is considerably less than is the case for the other countries of the same group. The Principal Delegate for the Byelorussia SSR wishes to draw the attention of the Congress to the fact that his country together with its Meteorological Service sustained severe injury through the destruction wrought by the Second World War. 25 30

ESTABLISHMENT OF TECHNICAL COMMISSIONS

U. S. Proposal

1. It is highly desirable as indicated in Doc. 9 to limit the number of Commissions to the minimum necessary to cover effectively the field of interest of the Organization. The greater the number of Commissions the greater the extent of the internal coordination required within the WMO and the greater the workload on the Secretariat (arranging of meetings, publication of proceedings, etc.) With the relatively small Secretariat proposed in the initial stages, a strict limitation on the number of Commissions initially established becomes particularly important. 5 10

2. It will be desirable to treat the various branches of the field allocated to a Commission in Committees of that Commission ("Committee" should be employed in future in lieu of the IMO term "Subcommission" or Panel). Any Committee can subsequently become a full Commission, if and when the organizational need for this expansion has been demonstrated by experience within the WMO. If this approach is adopted the Commission organization will have a realistic basis and the tendency to over-elaboration which has been characteristic of the IMO will be checked. 20

3. In Doc. 9, 10 Commissions and three panels are proposed. It is considered that these could be reduced to seven bodies by combining CSM with CMT, CCI with CBP, CHyM with CAGM (in a new "Commission for General Applied Meteorology") and absorbing CAo and the three Panels in a new "Commission for Physics of the Atmosphere". The last-mentioned Commission is important in view of the provisions in the Convention regarding the responsibility of the WMO for the coordination of research, which was not an important function of the IMO. 25

4. If these changes are adopted a logical arrangement of Commissions results: 30

A. Commissions on Meteorological Methods

- (1) Commission for Synoptic Meteorology (CSM)
- (2) Commission for Instruments and Methods of Observation (CIMO)
- (3) Commission for Climatology (CCI)
- (4) Commission for Physics of the Atmosphere (CPA)

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AGENDA ITEM 19

Original : RUSSIAN

PROPORTIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE GENERAL FUND
OF THE WMO

(General comments of the USSR Delegation
regarding Documents 13 and 103)

1. After examining the memorandum of Committee I (Doc.103), the USSR Delegation observes that the Committee invites the principal Delegates to take into account the criteria of which a list is given in paragraph 3 of this memorandum, when the draft of the scale of contributions to be paid to the WMO (Doc. 13) is being examined, which must precede the adoption of these principles by the Congress.

2. The USSR Delegation considers that the criteria which should serve as a basis for drawing up the final scale of contributions should comply with the following conditions :

- a) their number should not be high ;
- b) they should be applicable to computations used for preparing the scale of the contributions ;
- c) if several criteria are prepared, the most important one should be mentioned.

3. The USSR Delegation considers that the criteria given in paragraph 3 of Doc. 103 do not respond to requirements. There are too many of them, so much so that it becomes impossible to calculate the amount of the contribution in units or by percentage, owing to the absence of a principal criterium serving as a basis for calculation.

4. Item 4 of paragraph 3 of Doc. 103 shows as a criterium the amount of the contributions to other international organizations. Expressed in this form, this principle is not well-founded, seeing that it takes into account various organizations which have drawn up a scale, each being according to different principles. In this manner, the scale of contributions of the International Telecommunications Union is based on the principle of arbitrary classification of each country in one of eight given categories. Other international organizations,

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AGENDA FOR FIRST CONGRESS OF WMO

(as amended on 30th March, 1951)

1. Opening by outgoing President of IMO
2. Rules of Procedure for first Congress
3. Membership of WMO 5
 - a) Application by Bulgaria
 - b) Application by Ceylon
4. Establishment of Committees of Congress: 10
 - a) Credentials Committee
 - b) Nomination Committee
 - c) Drafting Committee
 - d) Other Committees of Congress as necessary
5. Approval of Agenda
6. Election of Officers of WMO for duration of first Congress: 15
 - a) President
 - b) 1st Vice-President
 - c) 2nd Vice-President
7. Transfer to WMO of functions, resources and obligations of IMO
8. Agreement with United Nations 20
9. United Nations Convention on privileges and immunities of Specialized Agencies
10. Determination of general policies for fulfilment of purposes of WMO: 25
 - a) International Meteorological Institute
 - b) Arid Zone
 - c) Technical Assistance to:
 - (i) Libya
 - (ii) Other countries
11. Programme for first budget period^x 30
12. Establishment of Secretariat:
 - a) Structure
 - b) Number of personnel
 - c) Salary scales of personnel
13. Establishment of General Regulations and Rules of Procedure of WMO 35
14. Establishment of Financial Regulations of WMO
15. Establishment of Staff Regulations of WMO
16. Terms of appointment of Secretary General

^x Including project for new Cloud Atlas

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AGENDA ITEM 21
ORIGINAL: FRENCH

ESTABLISHMENT OF TECHNICAL COMMISSIONS

Draft Resolution

Submitted to the Congress by the French Delegation
on the 31st. of March 1951

1. The Congress decides to maintain the following Commissions: 5

- Climatological Commission
- Commission for Instruments and Observation
- Commission for Synoptic Meteorology
- Commission for Aeronautical Meteorology 10
- Commission for Maritime Meteorology
- Commission on the Physics of the Atmosphere

It refers to Committee III, the determination of the terms of reference when the list of WMO Commissions shall be drawn up in its final form.

2. The Congress refers to Committee III the question of the possible re-establishment of: 15

- The Commission for Bibliography
- The Hydrological Commission
- The Commission for Telecommunications
- The Commission for Agricultural Meteorology 20

as well as the establishment of Panels of Experts, requesting it at the same time to submit a report, as rapidly as possible, on the re-establishment of these Commissions, the amalgamation of them with the Commissions listed in paragraph 1, or the transfer of a part of their activities to the Secretariat. 25

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AGENDA ITEM 33

ORIGINAL: FRENCH

TECHNICAL QUESTIONS REFERRED TO WMO BY IMO

REPLACEMENT OF THE "I.M.C. SALZBURG 1937 : 7"
RESOLUTION CONCERNING "DESCRIPTION OF HYDROMETEORS"
(1937)

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(Submitted by the French Delegation)

At the Session of the Climatological Commission held in Salzburg in 1947, the Commission adopted a Resolution for the purpose of classifying and defining with accuracy the principal "Hydrometeors" and also of giving brief comments on the manner in which each "hydrometeor" occurs, or the characteristic features it may present. 10

At the Session of the International Meteorological Committee, also held in Salzburg in 1937, the Resolution of the Climatological Commission was adopted with a number of modifications. 15

This Resolution was referenced as :

I.M.C. Salzburg 1937 : 7

Since 1949, the Committee for the Study of Clouds and Hydrometeors has held three meetings which have enabled the Committee to prepare a draft for the new "International Cloud Atlas". 20

This Committee considered it necessary to re-arrange the classification contained in this Resolution and thought it desirable to modify the definitions and comments in view of the progress achieved by Meteorology since 1937. 25

The new classification and definitions proposed for "Meteors" generally (Hydrometeors and Non-aqueous Meteors) are the subject of the Third Part of Fascicule I of the draft for the International Cloud Atlas (multigraphed text). 30

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ORIGINAL: ENGLISH

RESOLUTION AATRANSFER TO THE WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION
OF FUNCTIONS, RESOURCES AND OBLIGATIONS OF THE
INTERNATIONAL METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION

The Congress of the World Meteorological Organization,

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CONSIDERING :

- (1) that the World Meteorological Organization is empowered under Article 26 of its Convention to take over the functions, resources and obligations of the International Meteorological Organization; 10
- (2) that the Conference of the Directors of the International Meteorological Organization adopted on 17 March 1951 Resolution CD/9A transferring its functions, resources and obligations to the World Meteorological Organization on the conditions therein specified, which said conditions are set out in paragraph (a) of the Resolution below; 15
- (3) that the said Resolution of the Conference of Directors of the International Meteorological Organization shall come into effect on such date as the World Meteorological Organization shall notify the International Meteorological Organization that it has accepted the transfer of the functions, resources and obligations of the International Meteorological Organization on the conditions specified; and 20
- (4) that the World Meteorological Organization is prepared to accept the said transfer on the conditions specified: 25

RESOLVES:

- (a) accepts the transfer of the functions, resources and obligations of the International Meteorological Organization including its assets and its liabilities of all kinds on the following conditions, namely: 30
 - (i) The staff of the Secretariat of the International Meteorological Organization shall be employed by the World Meteorological Organization on a temporary basis and on the same salary conditions as in the International Meteorological Organization while 35

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RESOLUTION AB

TECHNICAL RESOLUTIONS OF THE INTERNATIONAL
METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION FOR ADOPTION BY
THE WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION.

The Congress:

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CONSIDERING

the necessity of continuing in force current technical resolutions of the International Meteorological Organization and its Regional Commissions until such time as the appropriate bodies of the World Meteorological Organization take action on such Resolutions:

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RECOMMENDS

that Members of the World Meteorological Organization follow:

1. the resolutions contained in the publications listed in paragraphs (a) - (e) below, subject to the understanding that this recommendation shall apply only to those resolutions :

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- (i) valid on ...
- (ii) in so far as they relate to technical matters
- (iii) under the same conditions as prevailed under the International Meteorological Organization until such time as they may be repealed or amended by the appropriate body of the Organization

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- (a) Répertoire des Résolutions de l'Organisation Météorologique Internationale (IMO Publication N° 50), as amended by the International Meteorological Organization Publications Nos. 52, 55, 71 and the List of Resolutions of the Extraordinary Conference of Directors, Paris, March 1951.

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- (b) Conférence extraordinaire des Directeurs, Londres, 25 février - 2 mars 1946 Comité Météorologique

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ORIGINAL: ENGLISH

RESOLUTION ACTRANSFER TO THE WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION
OF PUBLICATIONS OF THE INTERNATIONAL METEOROLOGICAL
AND ORGANIZATION

The Congress :

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CONSIDERINGthe necessity of maintaining continuity in the preparations
and use of meteorological publications:ACCEPTS responsibility provisionally for:

1. the following publications of the International Meteorological Organization : 10
 - (a) Offices Météorologiques du Monde (IMO Publication N° 2);
 - (b) Synoptic Weather Messages (IMO Publication N° 9) Fascicules I, II, III and IV;
 - (c) Guide to International Meteorological Instrument and Observing Practice (IMO Publication No. 78); 15
 - (d) Definitions and Specifications of Water Vapour in the Atmosphere - Value of some Physical Functions and Constants used in Meteorology (IMO Publication No. 79);
 - (e) General Regulations for Meteorological Service for International Aeronautics (IMO Publication No. 72); 20
 - (f) Specifications for Meteorological Service to International Aviation (in preparation);
 - (g) International Meteorological Vocabulary (in preparation)
 - (h) Observing Manual for Aircrews (in preparation). 25
2. the following publications which are being, or have been prepared under the auspices of the International Meteorological Organization :
 - (a) International Atlas of Clouds and States of the Sky - Abridged edition for the use of observers - 1930; 30

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RESOLUTION AD

CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT OF THE INTERNATIONAL METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION STAFF ENGAGED BY THE WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION AND COMPENSATION TO THE INTERNATIONAL METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION STAFF NOT ENGAGED BY THE WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION

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THE CONGRESS

Instructs the Secretary General that :

1. Staff of the International Meteorological Organization engaged by the World Meteorological Organization shall, as far as possible, be given salaries not less than those which they received under the International Meteorological Organization employment and that the other conditions of employment of such staff shall be consistent with the Staff Regulations of the World Meteorological Organization. 10
2. Staff of the International Meteorological Organization not engaged by the World Meteorological Organization shall, on termination of their service, be given appropriate compensation consistent with the Staff Regulations of the World Meteorological Organization. 20
3. When consideration is being given to the engagement by the world Meteorological Organization of staff previously employed by the International Meteorological Organization, due regard should be given to the value of the experience gained by such staff while employed by the International Meteorological Organization. 25 30

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THE CONGRESS

decides

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1. that the working Committees of Congress should submit their reports to Congress, after reaching general agreement whenever possible. Whenever, because of a difference of opinion it is necessary to vote in order to reach a majority decision, Members of the Organization who are not members of the Committee shall be entitled to take part in the discussion and to vote. In such cases, important minority views shall be reported to Congress. 15

recommends

2. that each working committee should announce each evening the order of business for the following day.

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RESOLUTION

AGREEMENT BETWEEN UNITED NATIONS

AND

THE WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION

THE CONGRESS

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1. appoints ~~the~~ President and ~~the~~ two Vice-Presidents of the World Meteorological Organization as its World Meteorological Organization representatives to negotiate an agreement between the United Nations and the World Meteorological Organization. 10
2. approves the text of the document issued as Cg 1/ Doc. 107 as a basis for negotiating an agreement with United Nations.
3. instructs its representatives 15
 - (a) to emphasize to the United Nations representatives the importance which the World Meteorological Organization attaches to the worlds "after appropriate consultations" which appear in Art. II, para. 1 of document Cg 1/ Doc. 107. 20
 - (b) to press for the retention of the words "in conformity with Article 2 of the convention" in Article IX, para. 3 of document Cg 1/ Doc. 107. 25
 - (c) to press for the retention of the word "important" in Art. IX, para. 5 of document Cg 1/ Doc. 107
 - (d) to press for the retention of the words "if it appears to both parties to be expedient" in Art. XI para. 2 of document Cg 1/ Doc. 107. 30

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(2. IV. 1951)ITEM 3
ORIGINAL: FRENCH

MEMBERSHIP OF WMO

LETTER FROM THE ROUMANIAN DELEGATION
TO
THE PRESIDENT
OF THE
WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION.

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Mr. President,

The Delegation of the ROUMANIAN PEOPLES' REPUBLIC was unable to attend the first meeting of the Congress, owing to reasons over which it had no control.

In consulting the documents of the Congress, our Delegation has noticed that the representatives of the Kuo Ming Tang have been accepted as the representatives of the Meteorological Services of CHINA, whereas they are not in a position either to direct the meteorological network of the immense Chinese territory, nor to ensure the distribution of the observations which are taken there. This task can only be undertaken by the Government of the CHINESE PEOPLES' REPUBLIC.

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Seeing that the Kuo Ming Tang group is not in a position to fulfil the obligations placed upon it by the Convention of the World Meteorological Organization, we request that the representatives of this group should be excluded from the participants of the World Meteorological Organization Congress and from being a Member of the World Meteorological Organization.

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In my capacity as Principal Delegate of the ROUMANIAN PEOPLES' REPUBLIC, I propose that my vote be added as a vote against the motion submitted at the third plenary meeting (Doc. 66) regarding the credentials of the "so-called" Chinese Delegation.

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If this proposal is not accepted, I request that the question be taken up again, in accordance with Article 4, paragraph (b) of the Internal Regulations of the First Congress of the World Meteorological Organization, adopted at its first plenary meeting on 29th March 1951.

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Principal Delegate of the
ROUMANIAN PEOPLES' REPUBLIC
(signed) A. CERNEA

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MEMBERSHIP OF WMO

Letter from the Czechoslovak Delegation to the President of the W.M.O.

Mr. President,

The Czechoslovak Delegation to the First Congress of the World Meteorological Organization, having become acquainted with the discussions, motions and amendments submitted to the Congress, and being unable to take part in the same owing to reasons over which it had no control (see below), takes the liberty of submitting the following proposal to the Congress, in connection with the Chinese participation in the work of the First Congress of the W.M.O. :

"The Czechoslovak Delegation requests :

- 1) that the Representative of the Kuomintang shall not be admitted, either to the present meeting of the Congress, nor to subsequent meetings;
- 2) that as the sole legitimate representative of China, the Delegate of the Chinese Peoples' Republic be allowed to take part, as soon as the Government of the latter applies for his admission."

In stating this proposal, the Czechoslovak Delegation bases itself on the arguments put forward by the Delegates of the USSR, Byelorussia and the Ukraine U.S.R., which it considers as right and valid.

The Czechoslovak Delegation stresses its impossibility to take part in the first meetings of the Congress during which the question of China was raised. In spite of repeated endeavours, the Czechoslovak Delegate was not able to obtain a visa for France until 23rd March, which prevented him from taking part in the first meetings.

AGENDA ITEM : 3

MEMBERSHIP OF WMO

ORIGINAL TEXT : FRENCH

Letter from the Polish Delegation to the President of the
World Meteorological Organization

The Polish Delegation was late in reaching the World Meteorological Congress owing to technical difficulties, and consequently, was unable to take part in the first discussions.

As can be seen from Documents No. 59, 66, 68 and 8, dated 20th and 21st March 1951, the questions discussed at the first plenary meeting of the Congress were more of a political order.

By the vote which was taken, the China of Kuo Min Tang was admitted to the World Meteorological Organization as from 1/4/51, although it only possesses the Island of Formosa and cannot represent the whole of the Chinese Peoples' territory, and consequently, can contribute nothing to meteorology.

Furthermore, this island, which in reality forms only a part of the territory of the Peoples' China - and as such, cannot be considered as an independent State - cannot be recognised as a Member of the World Meteorological Organization.

On the other hand, the Peoples' China, which, politically and meteorologically, controls the immense and entire territory of present-day China, is not a Member of the World Meteorological Organization.

Yet, for primordial and essential reasons, i.e., political, scientific and practical ones (synoptic and climatological materials) the Peoples' China should be an active Member of the World Meteorological Organization, and not - as was decided by the Congress - admit as member from 1/4/51, the China of Kuo Min Tang, which only represents an island in the Pacific.

In view of the foregoing, and taking into account the importance of international meteorological collaboration, the Polish Delegation makes application to the President as well as the Delegates of the Congress, so that the previous decision, regarding the admission of the China of Kuo Min Tang,

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(2.IV.1951)AGENDA ITEM 19

ORIGINAL : ENGLISH

PROPORTIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO W.M.O. GENERAL FUND

(Comments submitted by Australian Delegation)

1. In general, for all international organizations, Australia favours a scale based on "capacity to pay", that is; that each Member should be assessed on the basis of comparable national income data with certain adjustments, e.g., for low per-capita income countries. This is the basis on which the United Nations scale is prepared, and it is considered therefore that the W.M.O. scale should follow the United Nations scale as closely as possible. 5
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2. The old I.M.O. scale may have been suited to an organization with a very small budget. However, with the increase in expenditure by W.M.O., there are grounds for moving towards a scale based on capacity to pay.
3. Statistical data regarding comparable national income is available for many if not most countries; the U.N. Committee on Contributions could make this data available, and could probably make reasonably reliable estimates for those countries which have not supplied U.N. with the desired statistical information. 15
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4. Comparable national income is reasonably precise, and is regarded as the basic and most important factor to be considered in making a scale of assessments. The adjustments applied by U.N. for various factors such as per-capita income, could no doubt be furnished by the U.N. Committee on Contributions. 25
5. The other factors which have been taken into account in preparing the scale contained in Doc.13 could also be applied to the basic scale derived from a table of comparable national incomes. Of these, the most significant appears to be "benefit derived", which in the final analysis could be taken as being reflected in the size of the national meteorological services, and indicated by their national expenditures. The earlier contributions to I.M.O. are regarded as being not an entirely reliable guide as the actual amounts, being small, were contributed by countries without much objection, but objections are likely to increase with the greater contributions to W.M.O. if countries consider the scale is imperfectly based. 30
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MINUTES OF THE 9th. PLENARY MEETING

Thursday, 29th March, 1951

at 10.00

LIST OF THOSE PRESENT :

A. Principal Delegates or Alternates

MM. Angström, Aslam, Barnett, Berlage, Bogatyr, Boulavko, Bruzon, Bunnag, Cernea, Clackson, Davies Desi, Doporto, Pereira, Gilead, M^{rs} Gudmundsson, Hesselberg (Vice President Hon.) Joachamowitz, Sir Nelson Johnson (President), Keranen, Lahaye, Libri, Macky, Monasterio, Peña-Aguirre, Perovic, Po E, Pogostjan, Reichelderfer (Vice-President), Rivet, Roux, Farina Sanchez, Schumann, Sellick, Soares, Sohoni, Soliman, Sousa, Souza, Thomson, Timcko, Vander Elst, Viaut (Vice-President) Vourlakis.

B. Delegates, Advisers, Observers.

Albert, Ali, Contreras-Arias, Azcarraga, Barasoain, Basu, de Bellaigue (UNQ) Bilhan, Björkdal, Blocker, Boissel (IATA) Cadez, Orsini de Castro, Catos, Cauvin, Cheng, Craig, Csanlak, Davy, Godart, Goodmanson, Hejerman (ICAO) Hessel, Hsueh, Ireland, Kaddar, Little, Lojendio, McKillip, McMillan, Mangin, Mastrangeli, Matson, Mikhail, Milata, Price, Rachmanov, Randet, Roda (IATA) Röhl, Hernandez-Ron, Roncagli, Rosenan, Le Roux, Schmidt, Smith, Sruta., Miss Stan, Stoica, Stenor, Szo (UNQ) Tchen, Thalmann, Thrane, Tierney, Vojnovic.

Secretariat

MM. Swoboda (Chief of Secretariat) A. Kyriakidis, (Assistant Chief of the Secretariat) R. Mathieu (Secretary)

The meeting opened at 10.10 a.m.

President : Sir Nelson Johnson

NOTE BY THE SWEDISH DELEGATION ON THE
ESTABLISHMENT OF TECHNICAL COMMISSION AND PANELS.

The Executive Council of IMO has proposed the establishment of Three Panels:

- (1) on Clouds and Hydrometeors
- (2) on Radiation
- (3) on Radio-electric Meteorology

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Evidently it was the intention of the Executive Council, that these Panels should enter as a kind of Sub-Committees, every one under its special Technical Commission. Thus the Panel on Clouds and Hydrometeors is referred to the technical commission on synoptic Meteorology, the Panel on Radiation to the Commission for Instruments and Methods of Observation and finally the Panel on Radio-electric Meteorology to the Aerological Commission. This was of placing the Panels is evidently, at least partly, in adherence to their historical way of coming into existence.

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On the other hand, there is a proposal by the French delegation to create a new commission under the name of "Commission on the Physics of the Atmosphere" and it seems to be understood that this commission should include the three Panels, proposed by the executive Council and also the Aerological Commission as integrating parts or, perhaps, as Sub-Commissions.

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The Swedish delegation can not agree with the proposal to create a new commission on "Physics of the Atmosphere". The field of such a commission would be too wide and, according to our opinion, there would be a great risk that it would lead to a duplication of the work, which at present to great extent is covered by the Meteorological Association of the International Union for Geodesy and Geophysics. The establishment of a Commission on the Physics of the Atmosphere may in the future be found appropriate, but it seems at present not to be in good agreement with article 26 of the present convention to establish a commission of that kind without a closer study of the way in which this action would affect the relations to the work of the named association.

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AGENDA ITEM 21
Original : ENGLISH
TABLE AIDING THE DISCUSSION ON THE NUMBER OF
TECHNICAL COMMISSIONS TO BE ESTABLISHED
(submitted by the Delegate from Indonesia)

General Technical Commissions	United Nations Agency Interpreted	Specialized Technical Commissions	Medium Involved	Dealing with
Documentation { Networks Instruments Methods	WHO	Climatological		Physics of the Air, Relation Earth-Sun
	FAO	Agricultural Hydrological	Soil Fresh- water	Statistics of the air, Men, Industry Animals, Plants Supply, Energy, Irrigation
		Maritime	Sea	Shipping
	ICAO	Aeronautical Synoptic		Aviation Codes, Specifications, Charts, Analyses, Forecasts Requirements, Transmissions
	ITU	Telecommuni- cations		

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ITEM 12

ORIGINAL : FRENCH

SUGGESTIONS BY THE FRENCH DELEGATION
FOR THE CONSTITUTION OF THE FIRST WMO SECRETARIAT

- I 1. In addition to the President, who should have a reduced Secretariat at his disposal (one principal technical official (International), one Secretary-Typist locally recruited), the General Secretariat should be constituted along the following general lines: 5
2. 1 Secretary-General (International)
1 Deputy Secretary-General (International); both assisted by a Secretary-Typist charged with the correspondence of the Secretary-General and that of the Deputy Secretary-General, as well as the filing of it. 10
3. 1 Conference and External Affairs Section, which would also control the application of WMO Regulations and Resolutions. 15
This Section might include:
1 Head of Section (International)
2 Technical Officers (International) 20
1 Senior Clerk } locally recruited
1 Typist }
- This Section would be in direct liaison with the Secretary-General or the Deputy Secretary-General.
4. 1 Technical Division, comprising 2 Sections: 25
Section I. Technical Commissions and Technical Regulations Section
- responsible for the drawing up and publication of these Regulations.
Section II. Charged with Documentation and Information, and comprising: 30

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AGENDA ITEM 21

Original : FRENCH

PROPOSALS SUBMITTED BY THE FRENCH DELEGATION
TO ENSURE THAT THE TECHNICAL ACTIVITIES OF THE WMO
SHALL CONTINUE PENDING THE CONSTITUTION
OF TECHNICAL COMMISSIONS
AND THAT THESE COMMISSIONS SHALL START THEIR WORK

1. The dissolution of the IMO entailed that of the technical bodies of that Organization. Measures should therefore be taken by the First Congress to ensure the continuity of the most important of these activities during the period immediately preceding the definitive constitution of Technical Commissions of the WMO.
2. It does not appear possible definitely to set up these Technical Commissions before two to three months have elapsed so as to enable the Members of the Organization, whether represented or not at the First Congress, to designate their representatives in conformity with Article 19 (b) of the Convention. It also appears impossible that the Congress should nominate the presidents of the Technical Commissions, since this would be contrary to Article 19 (c) of the Convention, which provides that "each Technical Commission should elect its President and Vice-President".

The technical activities of the WMO could be ensured during the period which elapses before the new Commissions are in a position to function, by temporary Committees of Experts designated by the Congress.

It is proposed to set up the following Committees :

- Committee on Codes ;
- Committee on Clouds and Hydrometeors ;
- Committee on Vocabulary ;
- Committee for framing Regulations concerning
Aeronautical Meteorology ;
- Committee on Radio Meteorology.

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AGENDA ITEM 25

Original : FRENCH

HEADQUARTERS OF THE SECRETARIAT

(Proposal submitted by the Swiss Delegation)

As the headquarters of IMO were situated at Lausanne, the Swiss Delegation assumed that this would also be the case for the WMO which has succeeded the IMO. The Cantonal Authorities of the Canton of Vaud and the Municipality of Lausanne have therefore prepared a detailed plan to ensure that the Secretariat of the new Organization shall be accommodated under favourable working conditions. Details of this plan will be found in Doc. 72.

During the proceedings of the Congress, however, it became apparent to the Swiss Delegation that several other Delegations would prefer that the headquarters of the Organization be situated at Geneva ; and the United Nations have indicated that they shared this view. The Genevese Authorities, having been informed of these desires, have stated that they would be very happy to see the headquarters of WMO established in Geneva, where the Organization would benefit from the extensive facilities and the other privileges enjoyed by the Specialized Agencies affiliated to the United Nations, the headquarters of which are at Geneva.

The Genevese Authorities would, in particular, be prepared to erect, with the least possible delay, a building situated in the immediate vicinity of the Palais des Nations, the official headquarters of the European Office of the United Nations, intended to house the Secretariat, which would also contain the conference rooms necessary for meetings of the WMO, subject to specially favourable leasing conditions.

The Genevese Authorities wish to stress the numerous advantages which the WMO would derive from close proximity to the European Office of the United Nations.

The Swiss Delegation has thought it desirable officially to submit this fresh application to the Congress, while reserving the right to submit detailed plans subsequently.

GENERAL POLICY OF THE WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION

Draft Resolution

(Submitted by the French Delegation)

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The First Congress of the World Meteorological Organization,

- having examined Document 25 submitted by the French Delegation and proposing to determine the policy of the Organization with regard to its external relations,
- taking into consideration Article 2 of the Convention defining the aims of the Organization,
- having examined precise schemes in connection with technical assistance or the setting up of an international meteorological agency,

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DECIDES to adopt the policy set forth in the following paragraphs and to request the constituent bodies of the Organization and Secretariat to comply with the same as far as each is concerned :

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1. - Relations with non-member countries

The Organization shall invite countries which are not Members of the Organization and which possess a Meteorological Service, to send observers to the meetings of the Congress and Regional Associations. The Presidents of Technical Commissions shall invite the Directors of the Meteorological Services of these countries to the Meetings of their respective Commissions.

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2. - Specialized Agencies

The Organization shall conclude an agreement with each Specialized Agency having certain interests in common.

Whilst waiting for these agreements to be concluded, temporary working liaison shall be established by the Executive Committee.

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3. - Other international organizations

The Executive Committee shall decide in each particular case the nature of the agreements to be concluded and shall give the

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AGENDA ITEM 10

ORIGINAL: ENGLISH

POLICY OF THE WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION

Draft Resolution for guidance of Congress Committees.
(as revised by Congress on 2nd April 1951)

(Replaces Cg 1 / Doc. 115)

Congress resolves that the policy of the World Meteorological Organization should be :

- (1) to encourage fundamental research but not to participate in it for the present; 5
- (2) to encourage the application of the results of fundamental research to practical meteorology in the aid of human activity; 10
- (3) to establish a Technical Division within the Secretariat;
- (3a) to establish an External Relation Section within the Secretariat; 15
- (4) to increase the authority of the Secretariat;
- (5) to issue periodical information bulletins to keep Members and other international organizations informed of the problems, activities and plans of the World Meteorological Organization; 20
- (6) not to finance special projects except by additional contributions from Members benefiting;
- (7) to avoid undertaking research which could be performed equally well by national institutes;
- (8) to study in the Secretariat questions referred to the World Meteorological Organization from other Specialized Agencies; 25
- (9) to participate in the expanded technical assistance program of UN, utilizing UN funds;
- (10) to establish Technical Regulations on the lines proposed in Doc. 24; 30
- (11) to examine the need for, and the functions of, an International Meteorological Institute.

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AGENDA ITEM 13

Original: ENGLISH

GENERAL REGULATIONS AND RULES OF PROCEDURE
OF THE WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION

(Proposal submitted by the Delegation of Israel)

To add (after regulation 16) the following :

- "Whenever a proposal is made for holding a session of any constituent body of the WMO elsewhere than at the location of the secretariat, such proposal shall be considered only if the Member in whose territory it is proposed to hold such session. 5
- (a) has ratified without reservation the Convention on privileges and immunities for Specialized Agencies including the annex relating to WMO, or 10
- (b) gives assurance that all delegates, representatives, experts, observers or other individuals, entitled under the WMO Convention or any WMO regulation to attend such meeting, shall enjoy those privileges and immunities necessary for the independent exercise of their functions in connection with the Organization" as provided in the WMO Convention. 15 20

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MINUTES OF THE TENTH PLENARY MEETING

29th March, 1951 - 14 h. 30.

LIST OF PERSONS PRESENT:

A - Principal Delegates or Alternates to Principal Delegates

Ångström, Aslam, Azcárraga, Barnett, Berlage, Bogatyr, Boulavko, Bruzon, Bunnag, Cernea, Clackson, Davies, Desi, Doporto, Ferreira, Gilead, Mme Gudmundsson, Hesselberg (Vice-President Hon.) Sir Nelson Johnson (President) Keränen, Lahaye, Libri, Macky, Peña Aguirre, Perovic, Pogosjan, Reichelderfer (Vice-President), Rivet, Fanina Sanchez, Schumann, Soares, Sohoni, Soliman, Sousa, Souza, Thomson, Timcke, Vander Elst, Vejar G, Viaut (Vice-President), Vourlakis.

B - Delegates, Advisers, Observers

Albert, Ali, Contreras-Arias, Barasoain, Basu, de Bellaigue (UN), Bilham, Björkdal, Bleeker, Cadez, Cates, Cheng, Craig, Csaplak, Davy, Godart, Goodmanston, Guignolet, Heierman (ICAO), Hsueh, Ireland, Lojendio, McKillip, Mangin, Mastrangeli, Matson, Michelangeli, Milata, Rachmanov, Ratisbona, Roda (IATA), Roncalli, le Roux, Smith, Sruta, Mlle Stan, Stoica, Stoner, Sze (UN), Thalmann, Thrane, Tierney, Van Thullenar, Vojnovic, Warner (ICAO).

Secretariat

Messrs. Swoboda (Chief of Secretariat), Kyriakidis (Deputy Chief of the Secretariat).

The meeting opened at 2.55 p.m.

which he had received from it. It would therefore not be advisable to invite the Chief of the Secretariat to make a distinction between good and bad debts.

Mr. Smith (Chairman of Committee I) considered that the taking over by the IMO of the liabilities and assets of the IMO, constituted a sound financial operation, for the balance sheet of the IMO would be distinctly positive, even admitting that all overdue contributions might not be paid. In this hypothetical, but incorrect, case, the actual balance would still be 300,000 Swiss francs.

On the other hand, with regard to the suggestion made by Mr. Boulavko, with a view to ascertaining a more exact figure of the sum which would actually be transferred to the WMO, it seemed to him that this suggestion had no object if the proposal made by the United States Delegation was taken into account.

As a matter of fact, it had been proposed that the assets of the IMO should be left in suspense until a decision had been taken about this point. The balance of the IMO, kept in suspense during one year, would be utilised for meeting all the obligations of that Organization; then, the remaining balance would be distributed between the Members. During this waiting period, the WMO Organization would be financed by a loan contracted with the United Nations, whilst waiting for new contributions to begin coming in to the WMO funds.

He therefore considered that, seeing that the balance is positive in any case, there was no question of not taking cognizance of the recommendation. With regard to the WMO budget, the question did not arise for the moment.

The President invited the Congress to take cognizance of the recommendation of Committee I in the form in which it was given in Paragraph 2 of Document 94.

No objections being raised, the President stated that the Congress had taken cognizance of the recommendation of Committee I.

The President then said that during the next plenary meeting which would be held at 14.30 on 30th March 1951, the Congress would examine Agenda Item 10:

"Determination of the general policy to be adopted for attaining the objects of the WMO."

The President emphasised the importance of this question, for several Agenda Items dependent upon it. He proposed that there should be a preliminary discussion during this plenary meeting for the purpose of throwing

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AGENDA ITEM 3
ORIGINAL : FRENCH

MEMBERSHIP OF THE WMO

(Letter from the Hungarian Delegation to the
President of the WMO)

Mr. President,

The Delegation from the Hungarian Peoples' Republic arrived at the Congress at the moment when the question of the participation of the representatives of the Island of Formosa (of the so-called Nationalist China) had already been settled. 5

The Rules of Procedure of the first Congress (Section 1 para.4) determine the powers of the Principal Delegates. As Principal Delegates from Hungary and in virtue of this paragraph, I contest the admission to the first Congress, as the Delegate of China, of the Delegation from the Island of Formosa. 10 15

The Convention, Article 2, establishes the purposes of the WMO as being : "to facilitate worldwide cooperation in the establishment of networks of stations for the making of meteorological observations...". I do not believe that the Delegation of Kuomitang is in a position to set up a network of stations operating on the whole of the territory of China. 20

It seems to me that the acceptance of the Delegation of Kuomitang is a purely formal solution. But this situation has the result that the Peoples' Republic of China which has the territory, the population and which functions de facto and de jure has a State, has not the right to vote whilst the representative of an island which is de jure a part of China has the benefit of this right. 25 30

It seems to me that the problem of Chinese participation should be resolved with due regard for the purposes of the WMO. I believe that it is contrary to the purposes of the WMO to exclude from the work and from its rights roughly a quarter of the population of the earth. 35

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AGENDA ITEM 19
ORIGINAL: ENGLISH

PROPORTIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE GENERAL FUND
OF THE WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION

(Letter to the Chairman of Subcommittee on Contribution
Committee No. 1

From the Principal Delegate of ISRAEL) 5

Ref / AGENDA ITEM 19
Cg 1 / Doc. 103

As shown on page 2 of the Annex to Appendix Cg 1/Doc. 13
the proposed proportional Contribution of Israel to WMO amounts
to 8 units i. e. 0.71%. 10

My Government considers this proposal as too high and
requests me to ask for a reduction to say 5 or 6 units, a
contribution thought to be more adequate.

In conformity to Cg 1/Doc. 103, I, herewith, submit the
following explanations on which my objections are based: 15

(1) Benefits which each member derives from WMO

(a) size of country

The size of Israel is 20,500 square kilometers, more
that half of which is so far uninhabited desert, re-
ceiving less than 200mm. of annual rainfall. With 20
regard to size Israel occupies the third place from
below between the present member States of WMO.

(b) Population

Israel has a population of 1,300,000, almost half of
which immigrated during the past two years. The 25
rate of immigration at present is 1,000 per day.

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AGENDA ITEM 13

Original : ENGLISH

ESTABLISHMENT OF GENERAL REGULATIONS AND RULES
OF PROCEDURE OF WMO

Memorandum submitted by the United Kingdom Delegation

1. The draft Regulations in Doc. 2, prepared by the Executive Council of IMO, follow, in general pattern, the corresponding regulations of WHO and other Specialized Agencies. This pattern is considered to be acceptable and to be preferable to the alternative pattern presented by the United States in Congress Document 35.
2. Following the decision of Congress on Agenda Item 29 (WMO Convention : Interpretation of Article 5 (a)), it is assumed that the word "shall" will be substituted for "should" in Regulations 5, 92 and 93. It is proposed that Regulation 29 should be amended to read as follows :

"During the discussion of any matter, a delegate, member or alternate, may rise to a point of order and the point of order shall be immediately decided by the President in accordance with the rules of procedure. A delegate, member or alternate may appeal against the ruling of the President. The appeal shall be immediately put to the vote and the President's ruling shall stand unless overruled by a majority of the delegates, members and alternates present and voting. A delegate, member or alternate rising to a point of order may not speak on the substance of the matter under discussion."
3. It is proposed also that Regulations 80, 104 and 129 should be amended to make the second sentence in each case conform to the following model :

Decisions of the Working Group shall be considered as decisions of the Executive Committee, provided that more than half the members of the Executive Committee vote and that they obtain approval by two-thirds of the votes cast for and against.

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AGENDA ITEM 20

Original : ENGLISH

ESTABLISHMENT OF REGIONAL ASSOCIATIONS
(submitted by the United Kingdom Delegation)

The following draft motion is submitted as a basis for discussion of item 20 in Plenary Session :

Congress requests Committee III to submit its recommendations for WMO Regional Associations on the basis of the following assumptions :

- (i) The number of Regions to be six ;
- (ii) Regions not to overlap ;
- (iii) The Regions to include the Oceans ;
- (iv) Regional boundaries not to pass through the territory of a Member except in the case of USSR, Greenland and Malaya ;
- (v) Regional boundaries over the Oceans to follow as nearly as practicable lines of latitude and longitude and the date line.

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AGENDA ITEM 30

ORIGINAL: ENGLISH

RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN WMO AND OTHER SPECIALIZED
AGENCIES

(Memorandum submitted by the United Kingdom)

1. The transformation of IMO into WMO, and the proposal that WMO should become one of the Specialized Agencies of the United Nations, raises the problem of the relative responsibilities of WMO and those of certain other Specialized Agencies. This is particularly the case with respect to ICAO. 5
2. In the view of the United Kingdom Delegation, WMO must be regarded as the authoritative body over the whole field of meteorology. The United Kingdom, however, considers it of vital importance that arrangements should be made between ICAO and WMO to ensure that the requirements of international civil aviation are fully met. To this end, it is considered that Congress should authorize the incoming Executive Committee to conduct discussions with ICAO as soon as possible, and to reach a modus vivendi on the basis of the principle just enunciated. It is important that the Executive Committee should not be hampered in their work by decisions of Congress. It is therefore considered that the First Congress of WMO should take due account of the interests of ICAO in the application of meteorology to international civil aviation. 10 15 20
3. The United Kingdom Delegation therefore submits to Congress the two draft Resolutions, numbered and, contained in the appendix hereto. The first draft Resolution (.....) contains an invitation to ICAO to enter into discussions; the second (.....) authorizes the Executive Committee of WMO to make effective, without delay, any modus vivendi reached with the Council of ICAO, within prescribed limits. 25

1 Appendix.

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AGENDA ITEM 33

Original : ENGLISH

TECHNICAL QUESTIONS REFERRED TO WMO BY IMO

Recommendations from CSWI

Commission for Synoptic Weather Information

CSWI Circular 25/1950

U.S. Weather Bureau
24th and M Streets, N. W.
Washington 25, D.C.
December 26, 1950

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TO MEMBERS OF CSWI

Subject : Suggested changes to Fascicule I resulting
from Recommendations of CMAe.

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Reference: CSWI Circulars 11 and 12/1950.

My dear Colleague :

This circular deals with the contents of ATTACHMENTS B and
C OF CSWI Circular 11/1950 and ATTACHMENT E of CSWI Circular
12/1950.

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With regard to ATTACHMENT B, CSWI Circular 11/1950:

All the replies, with two exceptions, from members of CSWI
indicate that no non-aeronautical requirement exists for
MMMMM/BBBBB messages.

It will be noted that according to Fascicule I several of the
categories under which MMMMM/BBBBB reports are required provide
for the conditions to be set according to regional agreement.
I do not recall that any of the regions have adopted conditions
for sending sudden change reports and such regional agreements,
if they exist, are not included in Chapter II of Fascicule I.
Hence, it seems likely that services which are rendering sudden
change reports are doing so under conditions which meet their
national requirements, but do not require regional action.

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AGENDA ITEM 25

Original: ENGLISH

LOCATION OF THE SECRETARIAT

(Views presented by Australian Delegation)

1. Congress, by Article 9 of the Convention, shall be convened at intervals not exceeding four years. Even with allowance for an occasional extraordinary session, it can be taken that Congress will meet, on the average, not more than once every three years. 5
2. The permanent provision of space in the headquarters building necessary for holding a session of Congress, namely a large assembly hall, a number of large rooms for Committees, office space for an additional large number of short term staff for secretarial, stenographic, typing, translating and interpreting duties, and for the duplication and distribution of documents etc., at such infrequent intervals would be quite unwarranted, and would impose an unjustifiable burden on the Organization in interest and repayment, or in rent. 10 15
3. It appears clear therefore, that only office space, adequate for the Secretarial staff, is necessary in the headquarters building. 20
4. It is considered that sessions of Congress should take place only at the headquarters location. It is necessary therefore that the offices of the Secretariat be in a city where space required for holding a session of Congress can be secured every three or four years. 25
5. Geneva is regarded as the location which meets all requirements extremely well. Suitable accommodation for sessions of Congress is available in the United Nations Palace, and also the Conference services of the United Nations, namely, interpreter and translator services, document production and distribution etc. Proximity to the U.N. European office and to the headquarters of certain other Specialized Agencies there would also be of decided additional advantage to the WMO Secretariat. It is also considered that adequate office space for the Secretariat, in close proximity to the U.N. Palace could be secured in due course. 30 35

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AGENDA ITEM 20

Original : ENGLISH

ESTABLISHMENT OF REGIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

The following motion was adopted by Congress on 4th April 1951.

Congress requests Committee III to submit its recommendations for WMO Regional Associations on the basis of the following assumptions :

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- (i) The number of Regions to be six ;
- (ii) Regions not to overlap ;
- (iii) The Regions to include the Oceans ;
- (iv) Regional boundaries not normally to pass through the territory of a Member ;
- (v) Regional boundaries over the Oceans to follow as nearly as practicable lines of latitude and longitude and the date line.

Congress also asks Committee III to consider the desirability of bringing into one region the main body of islands in the Pacific. This result could be achieved by making the following relative minor changes :

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change boundary of II/V from 20° N 130° E -
 20° N 180° E ~~23 1/2° N 180° E~~ to 20° N 130° E - 23 1/2° N 140° E -
 23 1/2° N 180° E - 30° N 180° E and change boundary of IV/V from
 30° N 180° W - 10° N 180° W - 10° N 120° W to 30° N 180° W -
 30° N 140° W - 10° N 120° W .

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AGENDA ITEM 12

Original : ENGLISH

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE WMO SECRETARIAT

(Submitted by the Canadian Delegation)

In Agenda Item 12, Doc. 7, the Executive Committee recommends the establishment of an "office of the President".

Up to about 1928, the President did all the work in connection with the IMO, using his own staff for any secretarial work. The Members of the IMO did not make any contribution towards the expenses of the Organization. By 1928, the work had grown so much that the Members of the IMO were asked to make a small contribution for the establishment of the Secretariat which, at that time, was in Holland. But it was not until about 1936 or 1937 that a full-time Secretary-General was appointed to have charge of the Secretariat. Up to that time the responsibilities connected with the Organization were carried by the President and that feature has continued to a very great extent during the life-time of the IMO.

It is considered by the Canadian Delegation that it is not fair to put such a heavy burden on the President of the Organization in addition to his regular duties as Head of a meteorological service. Accordingly it is most desirable that many of the details now referred to the President should be dealt with by the Secretary General and that it should be sufficient to provide the President with an efficient Secretary. It is not considered advisable that there should be high-ranking officers who would be moved about with every change of President.

It is also considered undesirable to have two bodies, one connected with the President and the other with the Secretary General, especially when dealing with other organizations owing to the misunderstandings that might occur.

It is considered for this reason that the technical officers who are attached to the external relations Section

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GENEVA ITEM 7

Original: ENGLISH

TRANSFER TO WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION
OF FUNCTIONS, RESOURCES AND OBLIGATIONS OF
INTERNATIONAL METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION

PARIS, 4th April, 1951

To the President
of the International Meteorological Committee
of the International Meteorological Organization

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to the Resolution
adopted by the Conference of Directors of the Inter- 5
national Meteorological Organization at its meeting
in Paris on 17 March, 1951, in which it was resolved
to transfer the functions, resources and obligations
of the International Meteorological Organization to 10
the World Meteorological Organization on certain
specified conditions. A copy of this Resolution is
annexed to this letter as Appendix A.

I am directed to inform you that the World
Meteorological Organization accepted by a Resolution 15
of its Congress, at a meeting in Paris on 4 April
1951 the transfer of the functions, resources and
obligations of the International Meteorological
Organization on the conditions specified by the
International Meteorological Organization. A copy 20
of this Resolution is annexed to this letter as
Appendix B.

In accordance with the terms of both Resolu-
tions the transfer is to take effect on the date on 25
which the World Meteorological Organization notifies
the International Meteorological Organization that
it has accepted the transfer of the functions, re-
sources and obligations of the International Meteor-
ological Organization on the specified conditions.

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Original : FRENCH

MINUTES OF THE ELEVENTH PLENARY MEETING

30th March 1951 - 2.30 p.m.

LIST OF PERSONS PRESENT :

A - Principal Delegates or Alternates to Principal Delegates

Messrs Ångström, Aslam, Barnett, Bogatyr, Boulavko, Bruzon, Bunnag, Cernea, Clackson, Davies, Dosi, Doporto, Ferreira, Gilead, Mrs Gudmundsson, Hesselberg, Sir Nelson Johnson, Keranen, Libri, Lugeon, Macky, Monasterio, Peña-Aguirre, Perovic, Pogosjan, Reichelderfer, Rivet, Roux, Farina Sanchez, Schumann, Sellick, Soares, Sohoni, Soliman, Sousa, Souza, Thomson, Timcke, Vander Elst, Vejar G, Viaut, Vourlakis.

B - Delegates, Advisers, Observers

Messrs Albert, Ali, Contreras-Arias, Azcarraga, Barasoain, Basu, de Bollaigue, Bilham, Björkdal, Bleeker, Cadez, Orsini de Castro, Chong, Craig, Csaplak, Davy, Godart, Goodmanson, Hagen, Hamdy, Heirman, Hsueh, Ireland, Little, McKillip, Mangiu, Mastrangeli, Matson, Michelangeli, Mikhail, Milata, Nichol, Patterson, Price, Rachmanov, Randet, Ratisbona, Rosenan, le Roux, Schmidt, Smith, Sruta, Miss Stan, Stoica, Stoner, Sze, Tohen, Thalmann, Thrane, Tierney, Van Thullenar, Vojnovic, Warner.

Secretariat

Messrs Swoboda, Kyriakidis, Mathieu.

The meeting is opened at 14.45

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AGENDA ITEM 30

ORIGINAL: ENGLISH
FRENCH

RELATIONS BETWEEN WMO AND OTHER SPECIALIZED AGENCIES
AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Report of Committee II

Rapporteur : M. Schmidt (Brasil)

The Committee examined at its sixth, seventh, eighth 5
and ninth meetings the question of relationship between
the Organization and other international agencies.

It considered a draft prepared by the United States
delegation, a memorandum submitted by the United Kingdom
(Doc.151), took cognizance of the text of a resolution 10
adopted by the International Telecommunications Union
(Doc.111), and heard statements by the representative of
the Secretary General of the United Nations, and by the
representative of ICAO.

The Committee took note with satisfaction of the 15
desire for cooperation manifested by ICAO which has found
its expression, in particular, in the sending of an
invitation addressed by that organization to WMO to study
in common appropriate measures to be taken with a view
to ensuring the most efficient cooperation between 20
both organizations.

The Committee felt the same desire for cooperation
and considered that it was in the best interest of the
Organization rapidly to conclude working agreements with
all organizations concerned, and in particular with ICAO. 25

In order to comply with this twofold wish the
Committee herewith submits the following two draft
resolutions for adoption by the Congress.

A.

RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN WMO AND OTHER 30
SPECIALIZED AGENCIES AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS
The Congress of the WMO

TAKING NOTE of Article 26 of the WMO Convention
with regard to cooperation with other international

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Question 19

Original : French

PROPORTIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO GENERAL FUND OF W.M.O.

(Memorandum submitted by the Delegate of French
Equatorial Africa

The draft prepared by the Executive Council of IMO (Doc.13) provides for fixing the contribution of French Equatorial Africa to the General Fund of WMO at 5 units; In comparison with the contribution proposed for France, namely 35 units, the figure of 5 units is extremely high.

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While the area of French Equatorial Africa is five times that of France, its population is, on the contrary, only one tenth of the population of France. It is a very sparse population whose standard of living is, generally speaking, very much lower than that of the French population. The general budget of French Equatorial Africa only amounts, moreover, to approximately 6.000.000.000 Francs., namely only the 350th part of the French budget.

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Furthermore, in the existing state of meteorological science the advantages derived by French Equatorial Africa from its membership of WMO relate, almost exclusively, to the meteorological service for aviation.

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In the important spheres of Public Works and Agriculture; the advantages derived are, at present, far less obvious, and this will probably be the case for some considerable time to come.

With regard to sea-going navigation, the benefits from membership of WMO for French Equatorial Africa are practically nil.

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In these conditions, it would seem both logical and equitable to reduce the contribution of French Equatorial Africa to 2 units.

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In the absence of the Delegate from French West Africa, who is prevented from taking part in the work of the Congress by a serious illness contracted during his stay in the tropics, I venture to point out that the above arguments, advanced with regard to French Equatorial Africa, apply with equal force to the Territory of French West Africa.

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I therefore consider that the contribution of French West Africa should be reduced from 10 to 5 units.

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(7. IV. 1951)

ORIGINAL : FRENCH

MINUTES OF THE THIRTEENTH PLENARY MEETING

2nd April 1951 - 10 a.m.

LIST OF PERSONS PRESENT :

A - Principal Delegates or Alternates to Principal Delegates

Ångström, Aslam, Barnett, Berlage, Bogatyr, Boulavko, Bruzon, Bunnag, Cernea, Clackson, Davies, Desi, Doporto, Ferreira, Gilead, Mrs Gundmundsson, Hesselberg (Vice-President Hon.), Joachimowitz, Sir Nelson Johnson (President), Keranen, Lambor, Libri, Lugeon (FAO), Macky, Monasterio, Peña-Aguirre, Perovic, Pogosjan, Reichelderfer (Vice-President), Rivet, Roux, Farina Sanchez, Schumann, Sellick, Soares, Sohoni, Soliman, Sousa, Souza, Thomson, Timcke, Vander Elst, Vejar G, Viaut (Vice-President), Vourlakis.

B - Delegates, Advisers, Observers

Albert, Ali, Contreras-Arias, Barasoain, Basu, de Bellaigüe (UNO), Bilham, Björkdal, Bleeker, Cadez, Orsini de Castro, Cates, Cauvin, Cheng, Craig, Csaplak, Godart, Hagen, Heierman (ICAO) Hsueh, Kaddar, Lescene, Little, Lojendio, McKillip, Mangiu, Mastrangeli, Matson, Mezin (President CBP), Michelangeli, Mikhail, Milata, Nagle (President CMAe), Nichol, Papillon (Vice-President CIMO), Patterson, Pezet, Rachmanov, Ratisbona, Roda (IATA) Röhl, Roncali, Rosanan, le Roux, Schmidt, Smith, Sruta, Miss Stan, Stoica, Stoner, Sze (UNO), Tchen, Thalman, Thrane, Tierney, Van Miegheem (Vice-President CAe), Vojnovic.

Secretariat

Messrs Swoboda, Mathieu

The meeting opened at 10.15

In conformity with Rule 39 of the Rules of Procedure, Delegations present are requested to submit to the Secretariat, Room 122, any corrections they may wish to make to the Minutes within 48 hours of their distribution

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ORIGINAL: FRENCH

MINUTES OF THE FOURTEENTH PLENARY MEETING

Monday 2nd, April 1951, 14.30 h.

LIST OF PERSONS PRESENT :

A - Principal Delegates or Alternates to Principal Delegates

Angström, Barnett, Berlage, Bogatyr, Boulavko, Bruzon, Bunnag, Cheng, Clackson, Davies, Desi, Doport, Ferreira, Gilead, Mme Gudmundsson, Hesselberg (Vice-President Hon.) Sir Nelson Johnson (President), Keranen, Lamber, Libri, Lugeon (FAO), Macky, Monasterio, Peña Aguirre, Perovic, Pogosjan, Reichelderfer (Vice-President), Rivet, Roux, Fanina Sanchez, Schumann, Sellick, Soares, Sohoni, Soliman, Sousa, Souza, Sruta, Thomson, Timcke, Vander Elst, Van Mieghem, Viaut (Vice-President), Vourlakis.

B - Delegates, Advisors, Observers

Albert, Ali, Contreras-Arias, Barasoain, de Bellaigue (UN), Bilhan, Björkdal, Bleeker, Cadez, Orsini de Castro, Cauvin, Craig, Csaplak, Davy, Godart, Hagen, Heierman (OACI), Hsueh, Little, McKillip, Mangiu, Mastrangeli, Matson, Mezin (President CBP), Michelangeli, Mikhail, Milata, Nagle (President CMAA) Nichol, Papillon (Vice-President CIMO), Patterson, Pezet, Rachmanov, Roda (IATA), Röhl, Roncari, Rosenan, le Roux, Schmidt, Smith, Miss Stan, Stoica, Sze (UN), Töhen, Thalmann, Thrane, Tierney, Van Thullenar, Vojnovic.

Secretariat

Messrs. G. Swoboda (Chief of the Secretariat), A. Kyriakidis (Deputy Chief of the Secretariat)

In conformity with Rule 39 of the Rules of Procedure, Delegations present are requested to submit to the Secretariat, Room 122, any corrections they may wish to make to the Minutes within 48 hours of their distribution

The meeting opened at 14.45

AGENDA ITEM 17

ORIGINAL: ENGLISH

PROPOSED MAXIMUM EXPENDITURES DURING FIRST FINANCIAL PERIOD
GENERAL ESTIMATES

(Submitted by the Canadian Delegation)

In Doc. 12, the Executive Committee has given very full explanatory notes on the Estimates for the first financial period. The Canadian Delegation in general agrees with the explanatory notes submitted by the Executive Committee. 5

In regard to the Executive Committee's statement in 4.1 first paragraph, it is agreed by the Canadian Delegation that the WMO will have to meet a considerable portion of the costs of the Congresses. On the other hand, the next three paragraphs deal with the headquarters of the Organization. It is considered that at least for the first financial period, additional temporary accommodation should be obtained at Lausanne for housing the Secretariat of the WMO. As indicated in Doc. 80, the Canadian Delegation recommended the postponement of the location of the Secretariat until full particulars of building and costs are obtained for submission to Member Governments for their final approval. If at all possible, instead of moving the WMO secretariat to a new location in Lausanne it is recommended that additional rooms in nearby premises should be secured, thus avoiding the dislocation of the daily routine. 10
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The Canadian Government considered that the WMO expenditure for the first financial period should be approximately twice the annual expenditures of the IMO. The actual expenditures of the IMO for the financial years ending June 30 are as follows: 1948 - 266,200 Swiss francs; 1949 - 357,336 Swiss francs; 1950 - 370,985 Swiss francs. For the present financial year 1951, the ordinary operating expenses would appear to be about 400,000 Swiss francs if no allowance is made for the meeting of Congress in Paris. 30
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AGENDA ITEM 8

ORIGINAL: ENGLISH

DRAFT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNITED NATIONS
AND
THE WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION

REPORT

on negotiations between representatives of the World Meteorological Organization and the Committee of the Economic and Social Council on Negotiations with Intergovernmental Agencies. 5

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The Congress of the World Meteorological Organization approved on 4th April, 1951, a Resolution by which it 10

1. appointed the President and the two Vice-Presidents of the World Meteorological Organization as its representatives to negotiate an agreement between the United Nations and the World Meteorological Organization, 15
2. approved the text of the document issued as Cg 1 / Doc. 107 as a basis for negotiating an agreement with United Nations,
3. instructed its representatives 20
 - (a) to emphasize to the United Nations representatives the importance which the World Meteorological Organization attaches to the words "after appropriate consultations" which appear in Art. II, para. 1 of Doc. Cg 1 / Doc. 107, 25
 - (b) to press for the retention of the words "in conformity with Art. 2 of the Convention" in Art. X, para. 3 of Doc. Cg 1 / Doc. 107,
 - (c) to press for the retention of the word "important" in Art. X, para. 5 of Doc. Cg 1 / Doc. 107, 30

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(10.IV.1951)

ORIGINAL : FRENCH

MINUTES OF THE FIFTEENTH PLENARY MEETING

4 April 1951 -10.00 a.m.

LIST OF PERSONS PRESENT:

A - Principal Delegates or Alternates to Principal Delegates

Ångström, Aslam, Barnett, Bogatyr, Boulavko, Bruzon, Bunnag, Cernea, Clackson, Davies, Desi, Doport, Ferreira, Franco Franco, Gilead, Mrs Gudmundsson, Hesselberg (Vice-President Hon.), Sir Nelson Johnson (President), Keränen, Lambor, Libri, Lugeon (FIO), Macky, Monasterio, Peña Aguirre, Po E, Pogosjan, Reichelderfer (Vice-President), Rivet, Roux, Farina Sanchez, Schumann, Sellick, Soares, Sohoni, Soliman, Sousa, Souza, Sup, Thomson, Timcke, Vander Elst, Vejar G, Viaut (Vice-President), Vourlakis.

B - Delegates, Advisors, Observers

Albert, Ali, Contreras-Arias, Barasoain, Basu, de Bellaigue (UN), Bilham, Björkdal, Bleeker, Boissel (IATA), Bracelin, Cadez, Orsini de Castro, Cates, Cauvin, Cheng, Craig, Csaplak, Davy, Godart, Gregor, Hagen, Heierman (OACI), Hsueh, Kaddar, Lescène, Little, Lojendic, McKillip, Mangiu, Mastrangeli, Matson, Michelangeli, Mikhail, Milata, Millet, Nagle (President CMA), Nichol, Papillon (Vice-President CIMO), Price, Rachmanov, Ratisbona, Roncali, Rosenan, le Roux, Schmidt, Smith, Sruta, Mlle Stan, Stoica, Stoner, Sze (UN), Tchen, Thalmann, Thrane, Tierney, Van Mieghem (Vice-President CA6), Vojnovic.

Secretariat

Messrs. G. Swoboda (Chief of the Secretariat), R. Mathieu, (Secretary).

The meeting opened at 10.15 a.m.

In conformity with Rule 39 of the Rules of Procedure, Delegations present are requested to submit to the Secretariat, Room 122, any corrections they may wish to make to the Minutes within 48 hours of their distribution.

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AGENDA ITEM 25

ORIGINAL : ENGLISH

LOCATION OF SECRETARIAT

Letter of the Secretary-General of the United Nations

UNITED NATIONS

SG 128/8/01

New York, 4 April 1951

Dear Mr. President,

I understand that the World Meteorological Congress will shortly be discussing the question of the location of the permanent headquarters of the WMO and that Geneva is one of the cities in respect of which offers have been submitted for consideration.

While fully recognizing that the Congress must make its decision in the light of the Organization's particular requirements, I am anxious that it should know that, should Geneva be chosen, many services and facilities which the Organization will probably require could be provided by the European Office of the United Nations as well, no doubt, as by specialized agencies which are already located in that city.

Among the services and facilities which the United Nations Office itself could provide, I have in mind the following in particular:

- Use of the United Nations Library
- Use of United Nations public information facilities
- Use of conference and committee rooms
- Use of conference staff, including interpreters, translators, précis writers, verbatim reporters, bilingual secretaries, etc.

Sir Nelson K. Johnson
President
World Meteorological Congress
Hotel Palais d'Orsay
PARIS, France

HEADQUARTERS OF THE SECRETARIAT

(Proposal submitted by the Swiss Delegation)

Referring to Cg 1/Doc.151 relating to the prospective establishment of the Headquarters of the Secretariat at Geneva, the Swiss Delegation informs the Congress that the Canton of Geneva suggests the following solutions. 5

First Proposal

Erection at the expense of the Canton of Geneva, at the Place des Nations, on the site shown in the general plan of the district, of a building consisting of four storeys and a ground floor, as shown on the specimen plan, comprising 50 rooms for offices, 6 of which would be large halls which could be divided in accordance with the wishes of the WMO. 10

Cubic dimensions	:	approximately	9,500 cu.n.	
Total floor area	:	approximately	2,500 sq.n.	15
Cost of construction	:	approximately	1,250,000 Sw.Frs.	

Proposal : That a right of user be granted for a period to be determined in accordance with the wishes of the WMO, subject to the annual payment to the Canton of Geneva of 3 % of the true cost of the building, for occupation of the premises. The cost will obviously depend on the final programme adopted by the WMO. 20

N.B.- The size of this building could be reduced or increased to suit requirements, as the Canton of Geneva owns sufficient ground in the immediate vicinity of the proposed building to allow of any extension deemed desirable. 25

Second Proposal

That the estate "Orneaux", at Chambesey, a short distance from the Palais des Nations, be placed at the disposal of the WMO, free of charge. This estate includes a mansion of 18 rooms and approximately 50,000 sq.n. of ground with a first-class view of the lake and of the Alps. 30

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- Doc. 18 Draft Rules of Procedure for First Congress
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ment of the People's Republic of Bulgaria
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